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# EU Turns Sights South, Across Mediterranean

# **Proposed Economic and Security Pact** Would Create Largest Free-Trade Zone

By Tom Buerkle

International Herald Tribune BRUSSELS - The European Commission proposed an economic and security pact Wednesday with countries of the Middle East and North Africa to stem the threat of political instability and mass migration.

The plan, which would include the world's largest free trade zone, says population growth, a yawning wealth gap and the threat of Islamic fundamentalism make the southern Mediterranean a prime security risk for all of

the European Union.

By addressing those risks, the initiative aims to restore cohesion within the Union following complaints by such southern members as France and Spain that the body was ignoring the Mediterranean to pursue a German-led drive to

bring Eastern Europe into the Union.
"The problem of the East isn't an exclusive problem of the northern countries of Europe, and the problem of the Mediterranean is not an exclusive problem of the southern countries," said Manuel Marin, the Spanish development commissioner who presented the EU executive body's plan.

Mr. Marin's proposal, which will be put to Union leaders at their summit meeting in December in Essen, Germa-

ny, calls for more than doubling aid to the region, to 5.5 billion European currency units (\$7 billion) over the next five years, and to convoke a peace and security conference among EU and Mediterranean countries in 1995 to agree on a framework for cooperation.

A free-trade area involving the Union, its prospective members in Eastern Europe and the Mediterranean would contain as many as 40 countries and up to 800 million people, more than double the size of the North American Free Trade Area of the United States, Canada and Mexico, Mr. Marin said it would take at least 18 months to negotiate such an accord, and perhaps 15 years to actually dismantle trade barri-

But the strategy, which is by far the most ambitious attempt yet by the Union to forge a common foreign policy, faces hurdles that are as lofty as its

One European Union diplomat cited "cleavage of interest" between such northern member states as Germany and Britain, which want to offer mainly trade concessions, and southern states, which emphasize aid over trade, fearing that greater imports of fruit and vegeta-

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# From Bananas to Beluga, Airlines Try Innovations

By Adam Bryant New York Times Service NEW YORK — Coffee? Tea? All the

bananas you can eat? Northwest Airlines has scrapped its traditional meal service and now offers a moving buffet on most flights. The passengers on a morning flight, for example, can take as many bananas, bagels or sandwiches as they want.

The buffet is one of many ways in which of services that just might help to fill empty seats and end a long streak of losses.

Other recent innovations include a bathroom for women only (on Midway Airlines), private showers in the arrival lounge (American Airlines and British Airways), and the boarding of passengers not from the back of the planes to the front, but beginning with the people who have window seats (United Airlines).

Not everyone appreciates the efforts of the airlines. Mona Doyle, president of Consumer Network Inc. in Philadelphia, The Asia Machael Rate which surveys about 5,000 consumers a year for their opinions on retail service, said a growing number of people had been using airline service as a reference point for describing the way retail service had

The pace and breadth of the changes in o many aspects of air travel are seen by industry experts as perhaps the most visible evidence of the impact of deregulation 16 years ago, which has created relentless

competitive pressures on carriers and sent them on sometimes desperate searches to find a combination of amenities that will appeal to passengers and earn a consistent

That goal has proved elusive, as attested by the U.S. airline industry's \$12.8 billion in losses during the last four years. The heavy losses have forced the airlines to rethink their in-flight services.

Some carriers are pushing the high end service even higher. This spring, Japan Airlines installed an electronic massage chair for the first-class passengers on its longest flights. United upgraded its first-class menu last year to include Dom Perignon champagne and beluga caviar.

Other carriers are trying a different tack, moving to meet the demand by passengers for low fares. Companies like Continental Airlines do not serve meals on short flights, just peanuts or pretzels, and then boast of the changes on their so-called Peanuts Fares flights as a less-is-more bo-

Sensing a marketing opportunity, Mid-way Airlines this year offered "No-Pea-nuts Fares," bragging that by not serving peanuts, the airline was saving passengers 13 cents each on their fares.

"These are the fruits of deregulation," said James V. O'Donnell, chairman of Seabrook Marketing, an airline consulting firm in Houston. "They took a long time to

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# Israel Vows Revenge as Hamas **Boasts of Bombing That Killed 22**



Rescuers in Tel Aviv stepping over one of the dead on Wednesday to remove a wounded passenger from the bus.

# Arab Militants Say Assaults Will Continue

TEL AVIV - Israeli leaders vowed Wednesday to retaliate after a bomb ripped through a rush-hour bus on Tel Aviv's main shopping street, killing 22 people and wounding 48.

The explosion, which was believed to have been the work of a suicide bomber, was one of the worst acts of terrorism in Israel's history and the third major attack in 10 days claimed by Islamic militants of the Hamas organization.

In Gaza City, Hamas, the armed wing of the Islamic Resistance Movement, boasted in a statement broadcast from the loudspeakers of a mosque that it had carried out the attack, and would launch others.

"God is great. God will torment them with your hands and the hands of the faithful," the statement said. It said the attack was a reprisal for the killing of three militants who were holding a kidnapped Israeli soldier last week. The soldier was killed in the raid.

Anonymous callers to Israeli radio stations also claimed that Hamas had carried out the bombing.

Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, angrily condemned the bombing "in the name of the Palestinians and in my name." He said it was the work of "the enemies of peace."

President Ezer Weizman of Israel refused to take a call from Mr. Arafat and warned, "We cannot tolerate more and more attacks.

"It will end," Mr. Weizman said. "It has to end. We will tear them to bits." Israel, he said, would have to take "extraordinary action" to root out extremists.

A government spokesman, Uri Dromi, warned that Israel "will be very tough on the Hamas.

"We must both fight the Hamas and other Islamic fanatics and at the same time pursue the peace process," he said. "The only alternative is bloodshed."

The bombing was the deadliest act of terrorism since Palestinian self-rule began in May. It struck at the heart of the agreement for which Mr. Arafat and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres of Israel share the Nobel Peace Prize this year.

President Bill Clinton, who is scheduled to visit Israel next week, said in Washington that the attack was directed both against the Palestinians and Israelis. He called it "an outrage against the conscience of the world," and urged Arab leaders to ensure that there would be no haven or

support for those responsible. The bombing softened any joy over the peace agreement with Jordan, just as Israel was preparing for a festive signing on the border to be attended by 5,000 guests,

including President Clinton. After the blast, troops sealed off the

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# **UN Force Vows** To End Blockade

(Reuters) — UN peacekeepers in Bosnia said Wednesday that they were running out of fuel because of a Serbian blockade and warned that they would take "extremely strong action" to correct the citration rect the situation.

failing to persuade Muslim-led Bosnian government troops to leave a demilitarized zone outside Sarajevo before a Thursday deadline set by Bosnian Serbian forces, who are threatening to in-tervene. (Page 2) Health/Science

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# A U.S. Diplomatic Flurry

# New Pressure on Terrorists Is Urged

By Paul F. Horvitz International Herald Tribune
WASHINGTON — The United States

strongly urged foreign leaders on Wednesday, including Yasser Arafat and President Hafez Assad of Syria, to use their influence to halt the surge of terrorism

Reacting swiftly to the Tel Aviv bus bombing, the State Department announced the diplomatic effort soon after President Bill Clinton condemned the lat-Mr. Clinton denounced the terrorists

who carried it out as "enemies of peace" who should be given no haven in the Mid-He called the bombing "an outrage

against the conscience of the world" aimed at undermining the Middle East peace pro-

The White House later made it clear that Mr. Clinton remained committed to a trip

to the region next week to witness the signing of a peace accord between Israel and Jordan. He is also expected to address the parliaments of Jordan and Israel and

to visit U.S. troops in Kuwait. The State Department announced that private diplomatic contacts were under way, presumably with countries throughout the Islamic world and beyond, to press for assistance in curbing the violence in Israel. It was not known whether Iran, which Washington has repeatedly identified as a source of support for terrorism,

was among the countries contacted. Nor was it clear what special leverage the United States might have beyond what it has employed for years as a peace media-tor in the region. The United States has recently committed itself to a major aid package for the Palestine Liberation Orga-

The State Department spokesman, Mike See CLINTON, Page 4

# Amid the Horror, Silence

# Then Came the Cries and the Rage

By Barton Gellman

Washington Post Service
TEL AVIV — The silence, that was the

striking thing. Soon enough there would be sirens, and moans, and calls for help, but the first thing that followed the thundering blast was a noiseless panorama of suffering — like a horror film with the sound switched

Stunned and deafened, those who could help themselves stumbled speechlessly into a hellish scene of charred flesh, headless bodies and scattered limbs.

"There were no screams," said Eddie Booth, 25, a backpacker from Nortingham, England, who ran into the street from a youth hostel two floors up. "There was a

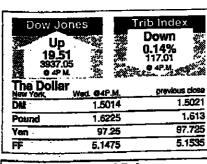
huge blast and then just quiet."
Inside the Dan No. 5 bus, where policemen believe a suicide bomber set off "tens of kilograms" of explosives, the merest whim divided the living from the dead.

For Schmuel Sadan, 28, it was an unlaced shoe. As the bus neared his usual stop at Dizengoff Square, the personnel manager bent to gather his belongings and tie the laces. Just as his head dropped to his knee, a crushing force flung him from the seat. Many of those near him were maimed or killed.

"I went through a window," he said in the post-surgical ward at Elias Sourasky Hospital. "There was nothing left of it. I saw bodies, lots of blood. I don't remember the fire."

Rona Bodman, 21, stood a block from the punk fashion store where she works, still shaken from the horror two hours later. On the pavement outside the small boutique she had found remains so badly torn that she could not tell whether they belonged to a woman or a man.

"It was disgusting, all organs on the See SCENE, Page 4



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# Her Side of the Spy Story: Rosario Ames Says She's Also a Victim

WASHINGTON — Maria del Rosario Casas Ames, 41, wife of the confessed spy Aldrich Hazen Ames, sits in a tiny, windowless room in the Alexandria, Virginia, Detention Center. She is dressed in a green prison uniform over a white T-shirt and white sneakers. Her brown hair is cropped short, her face sallow with no trace of makeup. Dark circles under her eyes attest to the strain she is under as she awaits her sentencing Friday morning for conspiring to commit espionage and for conspiring to defraud the govern-

ment of taxes. She has not seen her 5-year-old son, Paul, since she was arrested on Feb. 21, shortly after her husband was

Under a plea bargain negotiated by her courtappointed lawyer, she agreed to plead guilty rather

than go to trial with her husband, who has been described as the most notorious and destructive spy in CIA history. He is serving a life sentence. Because of sentencing guidelines, she faces a minimum of 63 months in prison. As part of her plea bargain, she agreed not to ask for less, though the judge has the option of giving her anything from time served to 10

Now she has a new lawyer, John Hume, who invited two reporters - one print, one television - to interview Rosario Ames before the judge hands down the sentence. He hopes that once she tells her side of the

story, she will be perceived more sympathetically.

In a compelling and heartbreaking recounting, she paints herself as a victim, isolated by a controlling husband and caught in an expanding web of secrets. It is a story of the mental and emotional deterioration of a woman, and whether the spontaneous truth or a

carefully crafted fabrication intended to sway her interviewer, she tells it with conviction.

She talks rapidly, in fluent English with no accent. She answers every question thoroughly, as though in the detail lies her salvation. She seems bewildered and disbelieving of her situation at times, by turns angry,

desperate and distraught. When she talks of her husband she alternates between rage and disbelief, crying often at the thought of his betrayal of her, of his country, of their child. When she talks of her son she cries most of the time, speaking almost to herself in a kind of stream of consciousness. Her voice turns guttural, her anguish is almost feral.

The day her life ended, Rosario says, was in the summer of 1992. A couple of weeks earlier, she had needed a small wallet to fit into a special purse and remembered an unused red wallet of her husband's in a closet. In it she

found a typewritten list. Two items on it worried her: a reference to "the city where your mother-in-law lives' and one to "our embassy." She thought it strange and was worried about the reference to her family. She had never told them her husband worked for the CIA. She assumed the note was related to his work. But she knew his work involved Soviet affairs and was not linked to Latin America.

She asked him about it that night, but he didn't want to talk about it. "For a couple of weeks he did what he should've kept on doing," she says, "which was to say nothing." When she continued to press him about it, though, he said he would tell her.

They made a date for dinner that night at Germaine's, a Vietnamese restaurant in Washington. They got a table in the front of the room, where the

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By Steven Erlanger New York Times Service MOSCOW - Some Russians were wondering Wednesday about the future of Prime Minister Viktor S. Chernomyrdin, who hotly denied resignation rumors that floated

into print Tuesday night. But many more were wondering where President Boris N. Yeltsin and his many officials got the dinner jackets they wore for Queen Elizabeth II of Britain at the state banquet Tuesday night, the first black-tie affair in the Kremlin since 1917.

The Communists had not only put a stop to formal wear. but also murdered the Russian royal family, which cast a pall on relations with the Britain and its royal family ever since. Czar Nicholas II was the first cousin of King George V, and the Russian State Archives are full of handwritten letters myrdin and his aides defrom the king to his cousin. Addressed to "Nicky" and signed "Georgie," they are full of affection and educated concern for the problems of an increasingly chaotic Russia.

But when the Bolsheviks took over, King George, on the advice of his government, did not allow his beloved cousin and his family to take political asylum in Britain. In 1918, they were murdered on Lenin's orders in Sverdlovsk, now Ye-katerinburg, Mr. Yeltsin's posed to get off the plane. On Wednesday, Mr. Yelt

It was Mr. Yeltsin, when he

house where the royal family was murdered, fearing that it was becoming a shrine.

The visit this week of Oueen Elizabeth. George V's granddaughter, to a newly reborn and semi-democratic Russia, is supposed to draw a line under all that unpleasantness.

The queen also praised Mr. Yeltsin for making a crucial beginning, saying: "The pro-cess of change has brought uncertainty; not all are convinced this great effort will be rewarded with the success it deserves. I firmly believe that it will be."

She might have been referring to the furor over Mr. Chernomyrdin's alleged resignation, which broke just before dinnertime with a radio report citing "sources close to the president." Mr. Chernonounced the report immediately from Sochi, the Black Sea resort where he preferred to stay rather than to welcome the queen at the airport on Monday.

She was met instead by a first deputy prime minister, Oleg N. Soskovets, the same fellow who also had to explain to the Irish prime minister. waiting at Shannon Airport, that Mr. Yeltsin was too indis-

On Wednesday, Mr. Yeltsin called the resignation report "a wild canard" and said: "These

thorized the destruction of the fact. I absolutely trust Chemomyrdin and Kozyrev." Andrei V. Kozyrev, the foreign minister, has been criticized for staying at the United Nations rather than returning for the

> "He is on the most responsible business trip with the goal of talking the Americans down from aggressive actions vis-avis Iraq," said Mr. Yeltsin, who has much to learn from the queen, should he wish, about indirection and euphe-

> But the Chemomyrdin affair points up other similarities between the queen and the man who is the current equivalent of Czar of All the Russians and often behaves that way, understanding that most Russians want their strong rulers to preserve a certain distance and mystery.

That is the kind of distance and mystery the British royal family once fostered. And while no Russian was impolite enough to ask the queen and her husband about their dys-functional family and the latest fuss around her son and heir, Prince Charles, who calls his parents cold and his own marriage loveless, an awkwardness hangs over their visit, which continues in the former czarist capital, St.

Petersburg.
There is an awkwardness around the Yeltsin-Chernomyrdin relationship, too, and



President Yeltsin beckoning Oueen Elizabeth to the banquet table in the Kremlin.

considerable court intrigue. With presidential elections due in June 1996, succession questions hover over Moscow, also. Mr. Chernomyrdin is the only figure with a court - the government apparatus, now filling the former Russian

president's. Mr. Yeltsin has increasingly surrounded himself with loyalists from Yekaterinburg and early Moscow days, rather the way an American president does. And these officials, with

White House — to rival the all the perks of office, know that once Mr. Yeltsin is gone. they are, too. And they know that Mr. Chernomyrdin is regarded as the most plausible successor. So there is in-built struggle, and much room for mischief.

# U.S. Renews Push for Lifting Bosnia Arms Embargo

By Daniel Williams

WASHINGTON - The United States began another attempt on Wednesday to persuade its allies as well as Russia and the United Nations to let Bosnia's beleaguered Muslimled government obtain arms to

fight separatist Serbian forces. But the Clinton administration acknowledged that the effort might fail, and the cam-

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April, for granting the Bosnian government an exemption from a three-year-old UN arms embargo. Arms would flow to the Muslims if the separatist Serbian forces refuse to accept a

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ing to arm the Muslims.

The administration wants to set an exact date, probably in nearly 50-50 partition of the

"Our preferred position has been a multilateral lift," Ms.

Getting the arms ban lifted has been one of the longestrunning melodramas of President Bill Clinton's foreign policy. American officials express uncertainty that Britain and France, who fear a wider war. or Russia, historically a Serbian

ready endorsed the separation

The United States is prepared to act by itself to lift the arms embargo against Bosnia-Herzegovina if the United Nations refuses to do so, the White House Press secretary, Dee Dee Myers, said Wednesday.

Myers said. "We certainly are going to pursue doing it multilaterally, working with our allies, particularly countries that have troops on the ground."

will get are not the same Serbian offensives.

things," a senior U.S. official said. He spoke after Mr. Clinton's top foreign-policy advis-ers met Tuesday to discuss the spring of 1993. ers met Tuesday to discuss the

Mr. Clinton had promised Congress to go to the UN Security Council this month for immediate action, but the Muslims themselves got cold feet. They asked for a quick UN resolution for lifting the arms embargo, but with a date for carrying it out set six months away.

Izetbegovic, had begun to fear Bosnia to anything like the stathat a decision to let the Mus- tus quo ante," he wrote in The lims arm would invite immedi- New Republic magazine. ate attack from the Serbs. To A State Department official further sap his confidence, Brit- who has expressed sympathy in ain and France, both of which the past for the Muslim cause have large contingents of peace- said: "It is becoming, in some keepers in Bosnia, threatened to minds, impossible to imagine withdraw their troops if the em- changing the outcome of the ally, will go along. bargo was lifted. That action war, and therefore, the use of would remove a buffer to major force is not as attractive now as

Even pro-Muslim voices in the United States have recently been set adrift by second thoughts. George Kenney, the

France, Britain and Russia

opposed a previous U.S. pro-

first of several State Department officials to resign last year to protest lack of help for the Muslims, has changed his mind "The kind of back and forth

fighting we could expect to go The Bosnian president, Alija on for years would not restore

last year.'

# **EUROPEAN TOPICS**

Netherlands' Neighbors Worry Which Way the Drug Wind Blows

There had been hopes among some of the Netherlands' neighbors that the new left-right governing coalition there would get tough on drugs. Instead, the winds seem to be blowing toward further liberalization.

Justice Minister Winnie Sorgdrager recently said that the government wanted to distribute heroin free to a select group of hardened addicts, most of them seriously ill with AIDS or other ailments. The past government resisted the idea,

fearing that it would seriously damage antidrug cooperation with neighboring countries, though the liberalization had the support of many Dutch policemen and public health workers.

Ms. Sorgdrager has said that the legalization of soft drugs, such as hashish and mari-juana, is a realistic option and that she favors a new approach to hard drugs, whose sale is still legally forbidden.

Other liberalizing initiatives are under dis-cussion. The city of Arnhem, in the east, is considering setting up a drug drive-in for "drug tourists" from Germany. This would keep them from wandering around the center of the city, possibly courting trouble, while looking for places to buy soft drugs.

And a high-profile group that includes the police, health-care authorities and court offi-

cials has proposed the complete liberalization of the drug business. Every Dutch citizen would be given a "drug card," allowing the purchase of a range of inexpensive narcotics in about 150 government-controlled "drugstores." The idea may sound farfetched, but its promoters, according to the daily Le Soir of Brussels, are getting a serious hearing in the

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# Around Europe

The European Commission is not — repeat not - planning to go into the pizza business. But the message doesn't seem to be getting through. Reports circulating in Italy that Brussels officials were planning to decree standards for pizza thickness and diameter led to angry protests; the Real Pizza associa-tion in Naples denounced the alleged new rules as "pure nonsense." But then maybe the rumormongers can be excused - if the Eurocrats can set standards for banana length (as they have), why not, say, pizza crusts?

Smudge, a tortoise-shell cat, survived six weeks stuck in a drainpipe, eating nothing but insects and drinking drops of condensation, his owner said Wednesday. The pet, long since given up for dead, was skeletal when it was found by a garage owner at Gillingham in the southeastern English county of Kent. "Smudge was weak and could hardly stand," said his owner, Beryl Banks. "The vet gave her liquids and medication and we were all amazed when she pulled through." Eight left.

Fires are good business for the German company of Total-Ungermann, in the Rhine Valley city of Wuppertal. A maker of fire extinguishers, it has found perhaps the most eye-catchingly appropriate spot for its advertisements: on the sides of the city's fire trucks. Hans Jochen Blätte, chief of the local fire department, calls the ads "a small contribution to fighting the budget deficit." But Herbert Schnoor, interior minister of North Rhine-Westphalia and thus in charge of all the state's fire departments, is hot under the collar. Public servants, he says, are not allowed to advertise anything, the weekly Focus reports. Mr. Schnoor fears the ads could distract drivers and cause accidents. Chief Blatte, whose city takes in 4.000 Deutsche marks (\$2,666) a year from the advertising arrangement, dismisses such fears - as "prehistoric bureaucratic thinking."

Brian Knowlton

# U.S. Finds Scant Use

WASHINGTON - Fewer than I percent of aviation industry people checked for drugs last year tested positive, and half of those were job applicants, the Federal Aviation Ad-

Of Drugs in

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ministration reported. Of 268,809 drug tests conducted in 1993, just 0.82 percent were positive, the FAA said in releasing a report Tues-day. Of the 2,193 positives, 1.096 were in pre-employment checks, 960 were caught in ran-dom worker tests, 94 were people returning to duty, 29 were tests ordered because of employee actions and 14 were people subject to periodic testing, the report said.

ne to th sis, the 2,193 positive tests in-cluded 437 workers or job applicants for commercial air carriers, including eight flight crew members.

An additional 183, including 12 flight crew, were air taxi and commercial workers and applicants. The remaining 1,573 worked at repair stations, maintenance contractors, sightseeing operators and other related businesses.

Of all the positive tests, marijuana was the most common drug found, at 1,220 positive tests. Cocaine was next at 880, followed by amphetamines, opiates and PCP.

The Air Transport Associa-tion president, Tim Landry, said he was pleased with the low rate of drug use indicated by the

### Egypt Police Raid Kills 8 Extremist Suspects

The Associated Press CAIRO — Eight people sus-pected of being Muslim extrem-ists were killed in a police raid in the village of Abu Qurquas near Mallawi, about 260 kilo-meters south of Cairo, and three men were wounded in an attack by the radicals in a nearby village, officials said

Wednesday.
The incidents on Tuesday night were part of the govern-ment's crackdown on Muslim radicals blamed in a knife at-tack last week on Naguib Mahfouz, 83, an author who was awarded the Nobel prize in Literature in 1988.

# WORLD BRIEFS

Tokyo to Help With Korean Reactors

TOKYO (AP) — Finance Minister Masayoshi Takemura said Wednesday that Japan was ready to meet some of the estimated \$4. billion cost of supplying two nuclear reactors to North Korea as part of a deal between Washington and Pyongyang.

The reactors are part of the deal under which North Korea will dismantle nuclear reactors that the United States suspects are being used to produce material for atomic bombs. The new reactors produce less plutonium.

A senior Japanese Foreign Ministry official had balked at a U.S. assertion that Japan and South Korea would have a "central role" in financing the reactors. The question of financing the reactors is a delicate one for Tokyo. Although Japan was not a party to the U.S.-North Korea negotiations, it bears some responsibility for the shape of the agreement because it had generally opposed the tough measures the Washington planned to pursue if talks had broken down, including UN economic sanctions.

# France and U.K. Set Air Command

PARIS (Reuters) - Britain and France plan to set up a joint air command to protect and transport troops involved in peacekeep. ing or humanitarian operations, diplomats said Wednesday. The project, under discussion for several months, is due to be announced at a French-British summit meeting in Chartres,

southwest of Paris, on Nov. 18, they said. The diplomats said the goal was to improve cooperation and "inter-operability" between the French and British air forces without France's returning to the military wing of NATO, which it

# **Kohl Opens Talks on New Cabinet**

BONN (Reuters) — Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany held preliminary talks Wednesday with leaders of his center-right coalition on forming a new cabinet, and coalition sources said most major ministries would remain in the same hands.

The Christian Democrat, whose 12-year-old government was re-elected with a greatly reduced majority Sunday, met with the Free Democrats' leader, Klaus Kinkel, and Theo Waigel, head of the Christian Democrats' Bavarian sister party, the Christian Social Union, to prepare for next week's formal coalition negotia-

Mr. Kinkel is certain to remain foreign minister, and Mr. Waigel will continue as finance minister, coalition sources said. They added that the new cabinet was likely to be trimmed to 16 ministries from 18 in the old one.

# Macedonia Rightists Threaten Unrest

SKOPJE, Macedonia (AFP) - Macedonian opposition forces threatened to storm Parliament on Wednesday unless disputed elections were voided, the Interior Ministry said, while police reinforcements massed in Skopje before a demonstration against

The extreme-right nationalist VMRO-DPMNE, the main opposition party, demanded the voiding of the first round of presidential and legislative polls Sunday in a meeting Wednesday

with Interior Ministry officials, the ministry said.

The party also called on the government and the electoral commission to resign, threatening to take Parliament by force and halt its activities unless the party's demands were met, Macedonia Radio said, quoting the statement.

### China to Rewrite Eugenics Draft Law

BEIJING (AFP) — China's top legislative body said Wednesday that it would make "major changes" to a draft law that has been widely condemned since its introduction last December as

advocating a Nazi-style eugenics policy.

The unusual length of delay in ratifying the draft, followed by the announcement that it is to be heavily rewritten, is a clear reflection of government concern over the protest that greeted the law's promotion of abortion and sterilization to reduce "inferior

quality" births in China. "Major changes will be made to the draft of the natal and health care law," the National People's Congress standing committee spokesman. Zhou Chengkui, was quoted as saying by Xinhua press agency. Apart from stipulating that the law would be renamed, Mr. Zhou gave no indication as to the nature of the

# Muslims Blamed in 2 Algeria Deaths

ALGIERS (AP) - An Italian and a French national were slain, ficials confirmed Wednesday, while journalists staged a strike protesting the killings of 22 colleagues during a long-running Muslim fundamentalist insurgency.

The deaths of two more foreigners brought to 64 the number of expatriates slain in a nearly three-year-old conflict between Muslim militants and the military-backed government. In all, more

than 10,000 people have died since the conflict began. No one immediately took responsibility. But suspicion fell on Muslim militants battling the government since cancellation of January 1992 elections, which the Islamic Salvation Front was expected to win because of voter discontent with corruption and high unemployment.

# TRAVEL UPDATE

### Strike to Disrupt French Railroads

PARIS (AFP) — Strikes called by two rail unions for Thursday are expected to lead to some disruptions in service, the SNCF national railway system said Wednesday.

Rail officials said service should be mostly normal for the Paris region, with the exception of the northern suburbs, trains from Montparnasse Station, and trains on Line C of the RER system. They said the high-speed TGV service should be normal except for points south of I you where only two thirds of TGV trains

for points south of Lyon, where only two-thirds of TGV trains would operate except for the Paris-Nice route, which will have only a single round trip. The officials said traffic should be normal on other major routes except for points in the southeast and along the Paris-Caen-Cherbourg line, where two-thirds of the scheduled trains will operate.

Air France cabin crew were urged by two unions Wednesday to hold 48-hour strikes to protest new working conditions. One union, which claims to represent 95 percent of stewards and stewardsses, called its members out on Oct. 30 and 31. The other called for strikes next Wednesday and Thursday.

In Athens, airport staff of the OSYPA trade union began a 24hour strike to protest a government proposal to hand over management of Athens' future international airport to either Hochtief AG or Aeroports de Paris. An airport official said traffic was not affected Wednesday morning by the strike. (AFX) To improve services, Alitalia announced Wednesday a \$62

million plan for congested airports in Milan. Canceled after an Indian plague outbreak, flights from Seoul to Bombay by Korean and Swiss airlines will resume this week, officials said. KAL, after a 20-day lapse because of the epidemic of pneumonic plague, will restart Bombay flights on Thursday while Swissair resumes weekly flights on Friday. (APi

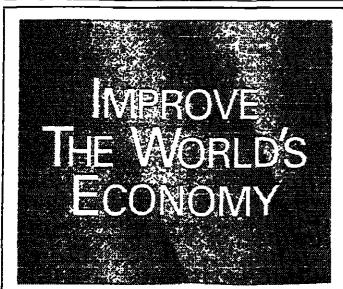
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# **Arafat** Condemns **Bombing**

Don't Stop Talks, PLO Chief Urges

The Associated Press GAZA --- Yasser Arafat condemned the bus attack in Tel Aviv on Wednesday and said the only response to extremists was to press on with peace ne-

gotiations. Mr. Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization called Foreign Minister Shimon Peres of Israel to express his sorrow, Palestinian sources said. An Israeli official said Mr. Arafat offered the Israclis help in finding the masterminds of the bombing.

However, an Arafat adviser. Ahmed Tibi, said Israel should not hold the Palestinian authority government responsible.
"I hope that no one is rush-

ing, as has been done lately, to put all the responsibility on the Palestinian authority," Mr. Tibi told Israel Army radio. "The attack was carried out inside Israel, and there is a high probability that the attackers did not

come from Gaza."

The Muslim militant group
Hamas, a leading opponent to
the Israel-PLO autonomy accord, took responsibility for the

Mr. Arafat issued a condemnation, saying that he expressed his condolences "to the families and relatives of innocent victims who lost their lives as a result of the despicable act carried out by the enemies of peace this morning."
The condemnation came just

hours after the bombing, in contrast to Mr. Arafat's reactions after previous attacks, when the PLO remained silent and had to be prodded into denouncing the violence.

Mr. Arafat rounded up about 200 Hamas activists after Israel and the United States demanded action in the aftermath of Hamas's kidnapping of an Israeli soldier last week. Hamas staged mass street rallies, and by Wednesday only 81 of the detainees remained in jail.

The bombing occurred as Israeli and PLO negotiators were talking about expanding Palestinian autonomy at a meeting in Cairo. But the attack raised questions about whether Israel would continue.

Mr. Arafat argued that going ahead with talks about an Israeli troop withdrawal and autonomy for the West Bank was the best way to defeat extremists.

"Pushing forward the peace process and implementing the rest of the agreement," he said, "is the only way to respond to the enemies of peace who are getting their support, their training and financing from well-known outside parties."



Israelis expressing their rage Wednesday in Jerusalem against the Tel Aviv bus bombing that killed at least 22 people.

# A Resumé Of Carnage

Agence France-Presse TEL AVIV — The bus bombing that killed 22 people here Wednesday and wounded 48 others is among the deadliest attacks to have rocked Israel. Following is a compilation of other attacks:

• March 17, 1956: Palestinians attack a bus in southern Israel, kill-

antar a ous in southern Israel, killing 12.

• Nov. 22. 1968: A bomb rips through a Jerusalem market killing 12 and wounding 55.

• May 22, 1970: A bazooka isfired on a school bus along the border with Lebanon, killing 12 including 7 children.

• May 30, 1972: Three Japanese May 30, 1972: Three Japanese Red Army commandos open fire with machine-guns in the arrival hall at Tel Aviv's Lod Airport, killing 26 people and wounding 85 others. Two of the attackers also are killed.

 May 15, 1974: The Democratic First For the Liberation of Pales.

Front for the Liberation of Pales-tine takes schoolchildren bostage in Ma'alot. Twenty-four civilians and a soldier die in the rescue opera-

March 5, 1975: Eight Palestinmarch 3, 1975: Fight Palestin-ian scaborne attackers open fire on a Tel Aviv beach before taking hos-tages and fleeing to a hotel. Battles the next day with security forces leave 18 dead, including 7 guerni-● March 11, 1978: An 11-mem-

• March 11, 1978: An 11-member Palestinian seaborne commando group fires on two buses near Haifa. They are intercepted by security forces en route to Tel Avivith 100 hostages and blow up a bus. The attack leaves 47 dead, including 9 guerrillas, and 80 wounded.

ily 6, 1989: A Pa jacks a bus on the Tel Aviv-Jerusa-lem road and runs it into a ravine, killing 16 people.

April 6, 1994: A Palestinian

rams a booby-trapped car into a bus in Afula, killing 8 Israelis and

lances outside the Ministry of

Endowment and Religious Af-

fairs after the explosion

Wednesday morning, but no of-

Foreign reporters were not

allowed to visit the site and no

damage could be seen from a

distance. Several hours after the

blast, the official Iraqi news

agency, INA, had made no

mention of it.

ficial casualty figure was avail-

# **Baghdad Takes the Press** To 2 Weapons Facilities

The Associated Press

AL MUSAYYIB, Iraq -Baghdad has opened parts of a missile test site and an explosives factory to the media to argue its case that stifling trade sanctions on Iraq should be lift-

But Information Minister Youssel Hamadi said that Iraq was convinced the United States would try to keep the sanctions in place, even if Baghdad did comply with United Nations resolutions that followed the 1991 Gulf War.

"They are saying to the Iraqi people: Either you change your ruler or you will die from hunger,' Mr. Hamadi said in an interview Tuesday. "This is hos-

tage-taking."
The carefully controlled tour of two munitions plants Tuesday was scheduled in the midst of a confrontation between Gulf War allies and Baghdad set off by an Iraqi military buildup earlier this month near the Kuwaiti border.

Some people believe Iraq provoked the standoff to focus world attention on getting the crippling sanctions lifted.

Now, Baghdad is trying to

have the sanctions eased by pushing for the UN Security Council to begin testing a sur-veillance system of Iraq's mili-tary installations.

Rolf Ekeus, head of the UN Special Commission charged with dismantling Iraq's military programs, says the monitoring system needs a six-month testing period before it can be considered operational.

At that point, Iraq asserts, it will have complied with all UN requirements about dismantling its weapons of mass destruction and should be allowed

### to resume oil sales. ■ Bomb Attack in Baghdad A powerful bomb blast dam-

aged a ministry building Wednesday in Baghdad, Reuters reported in a dispatch based on local television cover-

The television showed several people being loaded into ambu-

### SCENE: Amid the Horror, Silence Is Followed by Rage block away and sprayed her ing for an exit. He guided her to with water. "She died. I bent a sidewalk restaurant's chair. Continued from Page 1 floor," she said. "I see this de-

capitated body with no leg." "I got in this panic," she said.
"I didn't know what to do." In the long minutes before the medics arrived, some passwere beyond help.

There was an old lady on

down to move someone, and I thought I was moving a body. but it was only part of a body."

Avi Shemer, 35, whose car was right behind the bus. ers-by began to organize help brushed his shattered windfor the wounded. But many shield off his clothes and moved to help the survivors. He said be walked through the mangled fire," said Alon Tsabari. 29, side of the bus and found a who raced to the scene from a bloody-faced woman, blinded Bank Leumi branch half a and too shocked to speak, grop-

# **CLINTON:** Call to Foreign Leaders

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McCurry, declined to identify the governments being contacted by American officials, but he confirmed that Syria was among them and that PLO officials had also been contacted.

Syria, which Washington has accused in the past of abetting terrorism, was among the countries immediately contacted, the State Department said. Mr. McCurry said he did not know what reply, if any, the Syrians had made.

Before the latest attack inside Israel, the White House had reportedly been considering adding a stop in Damascus to Mr. Clinton's itinerary.

"Those who believe they might have some influence on this type of activity ought to use that influence to bring this to an end," Mr. McCurry said.

"The increased activity those who would attempt to poison and destroy the peace process is precisely because the peace process is working and moving ahead with greater mo-mentum," be said. "It's for exactly that reason that the United States, in the strongest terms, condemns not only the violence, but suggests that others in the world community now have to take a stand against this type of violence."

With mentioning specific countries, Mr. McCurry said to "those who have lent either encouragement or financial resources or support, tacitly or directly, to groups like Hamas and others who would destroy the peace process, now is the time to bring that to an end." Hamas, the radical Palestin-

ian group opposed to peace with Israel, is suspected of engineering the explosion in Tel

said that terrorism "is aimed at destroying the hopes of the Palestinian people as surely as it is directed at the people of Israel."

"I call upon leaders in the Middle East and throughout the world to condemn this act and to ensure that there is no haven or support for those responsible," he said.

While noting that Mr. Arafat. the PLO chairman, had condemned the attack, Mr. everything possible to deter and to thwart this type of incident."

■ Global Condemnation

around the world on Wednesday united its supporters and many former enemies in an outpouring of grief and outrage. blood. By late morning, the re-Agence France-Presse reported. 'We have always been

einst any terrorist actions wherever they were, especially Square, in the hours after the those targeted against civil- explosion, appeared to be rising ians," said the Jordanian prime anger. minister, Abdelsalam Majaili, with Israel on Monday.

negotiations.

Egypt sent condolences to autonomous Gaza Strip. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel.

Pope John Paul II, in a message of "prayer and solidarity" to Israeli authorities, called the ing sang out, "If I would catch bombing a "deplorable" act of an Arab now, I'd just slaughter violence. He expressed his "fer- him. With joy, even!" vent hope" that the peace pro-cess in the Middle East would began to change, growing loudcontinue despite such attacks. er and more rhythmic.

The Russian Foreign Ministhe most resolute fashion." In his statement, Mr. Clinton

He never learned her name, or what became of her.

Live power lines sizzled on Dizengoff Street throughout the morning, and the country's proudest shopping boulevard stood shattered. The five-story Israel Jewelry Exchange had barely a window intact, and masonry was still falling from a restaurant whose sign boasted of "Hungarian Blintzes - Original - Strictly Kosher." From a telephone line 30 meters away, a great hunk of the bus's roof dangled and swayed. The rigorously Orthodox

Jews of the Hevra Kaddisha, or burial society, donned clear plastic bags over their black hats and coats to collect more macabre human debris. One of them, expressionless, climbed a ladder to pluck a bloody hand from a Coca-Cola sign.

Authorities said it could be days before they identified all of the dead.

Within minutes of the deto-McCurry said the PLO leader nation, officials took to the raalso had a responsibility to "do dio airwaves and asked every vehicle in the nation to stop and check for bombs. Cars and buses pulled over, drivers and passengers searching hastily. No Messages to Israel from further explosives were found.

Hundreds of volunteers poured into hospitals, responding to broadcast appeals for quests were more specific: Only O negative" was still needed.

The mood on Dizengoff

With Prime Minister Yitzhak who initialed a peace treaty Rabin in England the scene was dominated by opposition The United Nations secre- figures. Binyamin Netanyahu, tary-general, Butros Butros who heads the Likud bloc, Ghali, condemned the attack as stormed over a pedestrian bara "savage act of terrorism" and rier and denounced the tragedy expressed hope that it would as Mr. Rabin's "personal re-not disrupt Israeli-PLO peace sponsibility" because he had reversed an order last week seal-President Hosni Mubarak of ing Israel's border with the

A small crowd began chanting in Mr. Netanyahu's wake, "Rabin go home!"

Then a voice from the gather-

"Death to the Arabs!" the try condemned the attack "in crowd said. And the silence was

The Wealthy Neighbor

# Vatican Hopes for Best-Seller

# Pope's Book Gets Aggressive Launching

By John Tagliabue New York Times Service

ROME - With an unusual and aggressive marketing campaign, the Vatican and the publishing company that is half-owned by Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi on Wednesday launched a book of personal reflections by Pope John Paul II on his office, his faith, and a wide variety of topics related to religion and morality in the modern world.

Church officials said they hoped the book, titled "Crossing the Threshold of Hope,"

would be a best-seller.

Couched as philosophical essays in response to questions, the book offers little that is new in doctrine. Instead, John Paul offers a deeply personal portrait of himself as a "man of joy and a man of hope, a man of the fundamental affirmation of the value of existence, the value of creation and of hope in the

Employing language at times highly technical but more often deeply personal, he re-counts boyhood events in Poland, citing memories from youth and influences exercised upon him by his parents.

Recalling his boyhood in Wladowice, in Poland, he talks warmly of his early friendship with Jerzy Kluger, a Jew from the Pope's native village who now lives in Rome and occasionally dines with John Paul at the Vati-

In his chapter on Judaism, which he refers to as the "religion that is closest to our own," he reaffirms recent church teaching that "anti-Semitism is a great sin against human-

Though the book is not intended as a doctrinal treatise, the Pope takes the occasion to reaffirm his position on matters of morality. A chapter titled "The Defense of Every Life" explains his opposition to abortion.

The book generally eschews politics, though in a chapter called "Judaism." John Paul expresses satisfaction at the achievements toward establishing peace in the Mid-dle East. Elsewhere, he affirms his belief that the "hand of God" was at work in the fall of communism, and expresses the view that his survival of an attempt on his life in 1981 was providential.

But the main thrust of the 229 pages of text is personal and religious, with the Pope offering reflections on the meaning of prayer, the existence of God, and the essence of Roman Catholicism and its relations with other

Excerpts of the book, which will go on sale in 35 countries Thursday, appeared in recent days in newspapers in several countries.

The novelty of his latest book comes in the aggressive marketing campaign surrounding its appearance, reflecting the Pope's skill in employing modern means of communication to reach broad audiences. In Milan and Rome, news conferences were organized with the Vatican's chief spokesman. Joaquin Navarro-Valls, and senior church leaders, in-cluding Cardinal John O'Connor of New York and Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, the Curia cardinal who is the church's monitor of orthodoxy.

The campaign was largely engineered by Arnaldo Mondadori Editore, the Italian publisher in which Mr. Berlusconi holds a 47 percent stake, after having sold the remainder of the shares on the stock market earlier this year to raise cash for his debt-ridden business

The Pope plans to donate his royalties to a

charity. Though John Paul, who holds a doctorate in philosophy, cites numerous secular philosophers, the range of discourse is heavily marked by Catholic doctrine. Frequently, arguments are built on documents issued by the Second Vatican Council, particularly in dealing with issues such as the multitude and diversity of religions and relations with other

# TEL AVIV: Israelis Vow Revenge for Bus Bombing

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Gaza Strip and the West Bank, barring Palestinians from entering Israel.

The Israeli chief of staff, Lieutenant General Ehud Barak, said it might be necessary to impose a long-term closure. "Perhaps we need to reconsider our way of life with the Arabs, which permits a flow of so many people into Israel," he

The police estimate that up to 20 kilograms of high explosive ripped through the bus shortly before 9 A.M. as it traveled along Dizengoff Street. A sec-bombing was carried out by Is-

ond bus passing in the opposite direction was damaged. Since the limited self-rule

agreement took effect, about 40 Israelis have been killed by terrorist. The bombing was the worst single attack since a seaborne raid and bus hijacking in 1978 in which 38 civilians and nine hijackers were killed.

Mr. Rabin, who heard about the bombing during a radio in-terview in London, cut short his visit to Britain and flew back to consult with defense, security and other officials at the Defense Ministry in Tel Aviv.

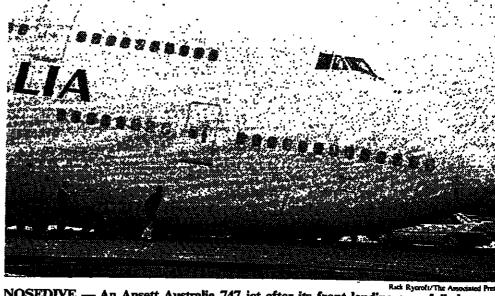
He said he had no doubt the

who are the enemies of peace." Ariel Sharon, the leader of

the rightist Likud bloc, said the government's peacemaking policy with the PLO had opened the doors for terrorists to attack the heart of Israel from the autonomous Gaza Strip.

"The government decided u" leave Gaza, and brought Gaza to Tel Aviv," he said.

Even as rescue workers cleared up after the bombing, using paint-strippers to clean scraps of flesh from the sidewalks, some Israelis persisted in their desire for peace and reconciliation. (AP, AFP, Reuters)



NOSEDIVE — An Ansett Australia 747 jet after its front landing gear failed on an emergency landing Wednesday in Sydney. None of the 272 on board, mostly Japanese tourists, was injured. The jet returned to Sydney after takeoff when an engine failed.

# EUROPE: Mediterranean Pact on Economy and Security Is Proposed

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bles from across the Mediterranean could hurt domestic producers.

France is the EU member most exposed to the issue, with 1.6 million people of North African origins on its territory and the risk of many more arriving if Algeria's government collapses.

Diplomats said it is hesitant about the

Union's taking the initiative in an area where it has long-standing interests. Paris has made it clear that it will not act as host to the forum while it holds the revolving EU presidency, in the first half

# Trooper Links Clinton to Loan In Whitewater

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — An Arkansas state trooper has told investigators he overheard Bill Clinton ask for help in arranging a federally backed loan to figures in the Whitewater investigation, according to a

published report. The trooper, L. D. Brown, told the investigators recently that Mr. Clinton, when he was Arkansas governor, questioned a Little Rock municipal judge, David Hale, in 1986 about the possibility of making the loan. The Washington Times reported

Wednesday.
Judge Hale's company lent \$300,000 to Susan McDougal, a partner of the Clintons in the Whitewater real estate venture. on April 3, 1986. The loan, backed by the Small Business Administration, has never

of 1995, to avoid stoking disputes before the presidential election in April and May, diplomats said.

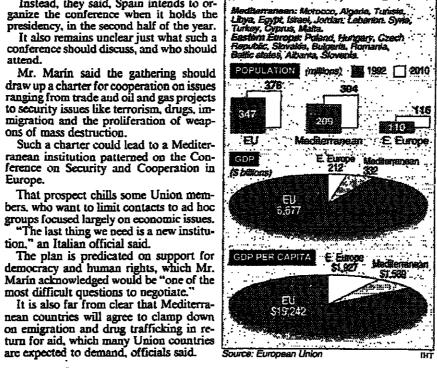
Instead, they said, Spain intends to organize the conference when it holds the presidency, in the second half of the year. It also remains unclear just what such a conference should discuss, and who should

ranging from trade and oil and gas projects to security issues like terrorism, drugs, immigration and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. Such a charter could lead to a Mediterranean institution patterned on the Con-ference on Security and Cooperation in

That prospect chills some Union members, who want to limit contacts to ad hoc groups focused largely on economic issues. "The last thing we need is a new institu-

tion," an Italian official said. The plan is predicated on support for democracy and human rights, which Mr. Marin acknowledged would be "one of the most difficult questions to negotiate." It is also far from clear that Mediterra-

are expected to demand, officials said.



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# AIRLINES: Bananas to Beluga in New Flight Services Continued from Page 1

come, but this is what free mar-

kets are about." The recent burst of experimentation surpasses the one that occurred shortly after deregulation, when airlines like People Express changed the rules in the 1980s by letting passengers pay for their flights on board and charging for coffee.

Business-class passengers on United are served sevruga caviar canapés. Several carriers have installed video screens at the seats in many planes that allow passengers to play games and watch movies. Last month, MGM Grand Air, based in Los Angeles, start-ed offering its so-called Grand

Class on flights between New York, Las Vegas, Nevada, and Los Angeles. Like a throwback

to service in the era of regula-

tion, MGM Grand Air installed

only 34 seats on its 727 planes, instead of the more typical configuration with 156 seats. The meals are cooked on kitchens near the airport, and each plane has four meeting rooms. A round-trip ticket between New York and Los Angeles costs 52,846, the same fare charged by other airlines for a

all its domestic flights — but not on transcontinental trips — as snacks, rather than meals. That way, the airline said, pas- insidious decline across the sengers would be pleasantly board," said Mr. Brakeley, who surprised when they got some- is based in Stamford, Connecti- survive,

first-class ticket on the route.

thing approaching a full meal, cut. "What they are now pre-like a sandwich and salad, on senting as dinner is laughable." some routes. Delta Air Lines recently travelers by Plog Research Inc. in Reseda, California, suggest

started reducing the number of flight attendants on some flights to three, from four. But the airline contends that customers have said the service is as good or better because the flight attendants appear busier. Airlines are adding new classes of service. Last month,

USAir said it would soon offer

a new "Business Select" service that would give bigger seats and extra amenities to travelers who paid full fares for a coach seat. Southwest Airlines and Delta are testing "ticketless" systems. Delta announced that it would begin testing a system using a credit card with a computer quent travelers ranked in-flight chip that frequent travelers on its shuttle service would use at the gate before a flight

When the card is inserted into an electronic reader, a reservation is made, the flight is charged to the passenger's credit card and a receipt is printed. board, rather than in catering. In the future, the transaction may be done without the need of a gate agent, Delta said. Many passengers are not im-

pressed with all the experimentation. George Brakeley, a con-sultant on fund raising for Continental decided recently has flown about 70 round trips to describe the food service on a year for the last 12 years, said there was no doubt that service had worsened in coach class. There has been a slow and

Boiler Blast in Bonn Kills 4

Annual surveys of 90,000

that there is a much more mod-

est decline in the way passen-

gers see airline service. In their

overall evaluation of their

flights, passengers in 1990 gave

their trips, on average, a rating

of 3.14 on a scale of 1 to 4, with

4 representing "excellent." That has since declined by only 1.3

percent, to a rating of 3.10 last

Whether airlines are spend-

ing their money wisely on in-

flight amenities is unclear. In a

survey of business travelers by

J. D. Power & Associates, fre-

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their satisfaction with a long

They said on-time perfor-

mance, the planes' interiors, the

ability to reserve the seats they

wanted, the comfort of their

seats and schedules and ticket-

ing procedures were more im-

BONN - Four people were killed and three seriously in-jured Wednesday when a boiler in a power plant here burst, spraying them with steam, offi-cials in Bonn said. Two of the injured were not expected to

# THE AMERICAS /

# Democrats Aiming at Republicans' Contract'

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New York Times Service WASHINGTON - They are filmed from a distance, moving in slow motion, and often in lockstep, sometimes with the whir of a camera's motor drive in the background and a into a dark and frightening certhreatening, ominous soundhave the feel of an inner a ing, recorded on the sly. track. Visually, these scenes meet some urgent political from Democratic commercials have the feel of an illicit gather-

**New House Stamp Scandal** 

WASHINGTON -- In the latest spin-

off from the House post office scandal, a

federal grand jury on has indicted Joseph P. Kolter, a former Democratic represen-

tative from Pennsylvania, on five felony

charges, accusing him of embezzling

more than \$44,000 in congressional

Mr. Kolter, an accountant and one-

time high school teacher, represented the

Fourth Congressional District outside of

Pittsburgh for 10 years until he was de-

feated in a primary election in 1992. He is the second House member to be

indicted in connection with a long-run-

ning federal inquiry into the House post

office that has so far resulted in eight

guilty pleas, mostly by low-level employ-

The first lawmaker to be charged was

Representative Dan Rostenkowski,

Democrat of Illinois, who was forced to

relinquish the chairmanship of the

House Ways and Means Committee af-

ter he was indicted on 17 felony counts

on May 31. Mr. Rostenkowski has plead-

The indictment says Mr. Kolter illegally obtained more than \$11,000 from

1985 through 1990 by disguising cash payments from the House post office as

stamp purchases by his congressional office. Mr. Kolter dealt with Robert V.

Rota, the former House postmaster, who

has pleaded guilty and has cooperated

with the prosecution. The indictment

also accuses Mr. Kolter of taking more

than \$33,000 worth of merchandise pur-

chased from the House stationery store

with money from his congressional office

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NEW YORK — Americans are more

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That, of course, is the Demo-staged by Representative Newt nity to at least blunt their Stan Greenberg, President Bill running throughout the country the Nov. 8 election, Democrats are trying to turn the Republicans' "Contract with America" emony —and along the way, to

Democrats are hoping that

to much less dangerous terrain. the political extravaganza ocrats clearly scent an opportu- in a very strong position," said

crats' design: In advertisements

Gingrich of Georgia on the losses. The Democratic NationClinton's pollster. "But once
running throughout the country
Capitol steps last month, when al Committee is running \$2 milthey begin to tell people what in the final three weeks before 300 Republican candidates lion worth of advertisements, they're for, they've complicated committed to the "contract" of and Democratic strategists esti- this election." political promises, can be used mate that as many as 40 conto galvanize core Democratic gressional candidates are either voters, strip away the Republialready broadcasting or about cans' image as a party of outsidto broadcast their own versions

ers and turn the political debate of the commercials. "When Republicans were the Republicans scoff, but Dem- angry protest party, they were

Mr. Greenberg added, These outsider candidates didn't need to be anything but vessels for people's alienation. and now they've taken on a

In fact, Democrats are trying to use the contract to cast Republicans in a form they are comfortable campaigning against. The contract commits the Republican Party to an array of tax cuts, a constitutional amendment to require a balanced budget and a stronger military.
As one Democratic adver-

tisement puts it: "How will they make up the spending gap? Explode the deficit again? Make devastating cuts in Medicare?" In several of the advertise-

ments, as the announcer talks about the contract as a return to the Reagan years, the camera lingers on a headline: "Reagan's Ax to Cut Social Securi-

Republican strategists are crying foul, asserting that Democrats are up to old tricks: When in danger in a close election, try to mobilize the elderly by warning of Republican plans to cut Social Security or Medi-

"They obviously don't want to run on Bill Clinton and the Clinton Congress, so they'll re-sort to lies or distortions to try to divert attention," said Barry Jackson, who runs the "contract with America" office at the Republican National Com-

mittee. Still, the economic promises in the Republican agenda have attracted critics from outside the partisan fray. The Concord Coalition, a bipartisan group devoted to reducing the deficit, said, "As is often the case, if it sounds too good to be true, and it looks too good to be true, it probably is too good to be

And the Washington imagery is attractive to many Democrats, since they have been hammered this year for being part of the establishment.

Anita Dunn, a Democratic consultant, said, "Three hundred Republican candidates flew to Washington, signed over their votes to the Republican leadership and then promptly returned to the states to accuse the Democrats of being insiders with an agenda out of step with



Robert L. Shapiro, one of O. J. Simpson's lawyers, arriving in court in Los Angeles.

# The Big Top and the Bench

### Judge Tries to Keep Simpson Trial From Being a Circus

By David Margolick New York Times Service

LOS ANGELES - It has become as much of a pattern in the O. J. Simpson trial as the tiffs between Robert L. Shapiro and Marcia Clark or the defendant's cheery smiles to prospective jurors.

Judge Lance A. Ito, his dander raised by what he deems wayward lawyers, journalists or police officers, threatens, scolds or withholds and hints at some action that will change the case. Then, a few days later and a few decibels lower, he opts for the least drastic alternative.

It happened again Tuesday, when Judge Ito turned down the defense's request to suppress crucial DNA evidence, despite repeated and ominous admonitions to Ms. Clark that he was going to punish the prosecution for de-lays in scientific testing of blood samples.

Mr. Simpson's lawyers complained that prosecutors had deliberately dawdled for tactical reasons in testing the samples. And the judge seemed to buy it.

"I don't know if I can telegraph to one side more openly that you are about to lose," the judge told Ms. Clark last week before rejecting the prosecution's belated, written attempt to explain the delays.

But here, as in several prior instances, Judge Ito confounded expectations. Once again, he commended Mr. Simpson's counselors for their ingenuity. This time, their arguments were "beguiling"; on previous occasions, they were "interesting" or "novel."

Then, as he has done with every other significant evidentiary issue raised by Mr. Simpson's lawyers, he found them without

If Judge lto's language is sometimes blunt in this lengthening series of anticlimaxes from the bench, so, too — at least up to now — is his saber. But to kibitzers watching People v. O. J. Simpson, the sound and fury signify something.

They are the tools by which Judge Ito - a man known for running a tight courtroom even when the whole world is not watching. and who subjects even less famous and expensive lawyers to law-school-style Socratic questioning - thinks he can keep a lid on the case.

"What he's trying to do is keep maximum control of the trial," said Laurie Levenson, a law professor at Loyola University Law School in Los Angeles. Peter Arenella, a professor at the Universi-

ty of California at Los Angeles Law School, said that there were limits on just how much Judge Ito could punish those who displeased him, and that he knew it.

"He is using the courtroom as a bully pulpit, even when he doesn't necessarily have the authority to make good on the threats."

If the Simpson trial is to be anything but a complete circus, Judge Ito seems to believe, it needs the strictest sort of ringmaster. And so the judge is carrying not only a stick, but a whip as well. He cracks it regularly, albeit without drawing much blood.

All he has done is tease Mr. Simpson's counsel into thinking happy thoughts: After Judge Ito lambasted Ms. Clark last week, Mr. Simpson and one of his lawyers, Johnnie L. Cochran Jr., embraced.

The celebration proved premature and perhaps a bit naive. For Judge Ito, as for any

# Rains Ease **But Waters** Still High in **East Texas**

iled by Our Staff From Dispatches HOUSTON - Eastern Texas got a respite on Wednesday from the torrential rains that brought widespread flooding to the region, but flood watches remained in effect because of high water levels in rivers and

Although some businesses in Houston reopened, officials said there was still a threat of new flooding from rivers swollen by 9 inches (23 centimeters) of rainfall that paralyzed the city Tuesday, making many roads and freeways impassable.

west. Strong thunderstorms early Wednesday dumped up to 7 inches of rain in two hours in Uvalde County, southwest of San Antonio. Winds gusted to 58 miles (94 kilometers) per hour, and more than 2 inches of rain fell further south in Alice, causing flash flooding.

"There's very little hope it's going to stop for a while," Governor Ann Richards said. "What we're seeing now is just a part of it."

state disaster areas. President Bill Clinton declared 26 coun-ties federal disaster areas, making them eligible for federal aid.

Bill Read, the meteorologist in charge of the Houston office of the National Weather Scrvice, said some parts of the greater Houston area had received 30 inches or more of rain

others were stranded in desper-

ports. (Reuters, NYT, AP) ticularly the economic team, is roughly 20,000 military person- committed by people who a ratio less than in Haiti.

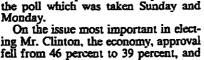


There was more rain farther

since Saturday.

killed at least eight people in eastern Texas, with several more feared dead. Hundreds of ate situations as waters rose and cabinet, made no anaround their homes, and at least 10,000 people were forced into shelters in a roughly 50-mile radius around Houston.

In Harris County, which in-cludes Houston, officials were most concerned about neighborhoods near the overflowing San Jacinto River. Several houses were seen floating in the area, according to television re-



was as high as the number who disap-

The latest survey was released Tues-

proved, also 44 percent.

his disapproval rating shot up to 51 per-Though a majority said the economy is in good condition, six in 10 declined to give Mr. Clinton credit for improving the

CBS said it polled 975 adults by phone and its results have a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage

### An Unsinkable Sonny Bono

PALM SPRINGS, California - If he ever makes it to Congress, Sonny Bono knows there will be titters.

They will wink behind his back, nudge each other in the aisles, grin when he stands to talk. None of that matters, he says. His skin

is thick. Once a failed Senate candidate in 1992, Mr. Bono could go to Washington

this time.
"I learned a long time ago the secret is to just hang in there, to keep at it," Mr. Bono said in a recent interview, staring out toward the desert beyond his campaign office door.

Eventually, people will start to re-Working his way up through nightclubs, hitting it big with a television show, Mr. Bono was famous for his droopy moustache, bell bottoms and singing "I Got You, Babe" to a taller, more-talented Cher.

and, at the same time, less happy with his economic management, according to a When the show wound down and Cher Over all, 44 percent approved of Mr. Clinton's job performance, and for the left, he wandered around in a strange mether world of television guest spots. first time in any CBS poll since June, that Eventually he pulled himself together, opened a restaurant, got married, had

When he got mad at City Hall bureaucrats who stopping his building plans, he plunged into politics.

CBS analysts attributed Mr. Clinton's popularity gain to recent successes in Haiti and Iraq, which pushed his foreign Soon he was mayor of Palm Springs, then an unprepared Senate candidate and once again the butt of jokes. policy approval rating up from 32 per-When asked once about world trade issues during his his 1992 Senate race against Bruce Herschensohn, Mr. Bono cent in mid-September to 47 percent in answered: "That's a tricky one."

"I was much more inexperienced on the issues back then," said Mr. Bono, who is skinny, balding and almost frail at age 59. "But I hung in there."

Better-informed and better-financed, Mr. Bono could win a House seat this year in a Republican district where the longtime incumbent, Representative Al

McCandless, is retiring. Mr. Bono's polls show him ahead. Polls by his Democratic opponent, Steve Clute, a former navy pilot, show a dead heat. No independent polls have been conducted

# Post Endorses Barry's Foe

WASHINGTON - The Washington Post is endorsing a white Republican, Carol Schwartz, for mayor over the heavily favored Democrat, Marion S. Barry Jr., a black.

The newspaper said Wednesday that it wished "we could have back" its endorsement of Mr. Barry eight years ago, when he defeated Ms. Schwartz.

The editorial said the paper's regret for the 1986 decision was not only because Mr. Barry later was convicted of cocaine possession but because his performance as mayor "created much of the fiscal and social wreckage the city is still having to contend with today." (AP)

### Quote/Unquote

Lawton Chiles, Florida's Democratic governor, at the start of a debate with his Republican challenger, Jeb Bush: "I'm tired of having my record maligned and distorted by your fabrications and demagoguery. You've had a year's time and \$5 million to plant your half-truths, but now it's show-and-tell time." (WP)

### other judge, the threshold for excluding material evidence is high indeed, and rarely met. merit. Princess Seeks Respite From Storm

The Associated Press LONDON - Leaving be-

hind a trail of tell-all books. bare-your-soul television interviews and a national debate on whether she will be getting divorced, the Princess of Wales left Wednesday for a short break in the United States.

Diana, 33, was driven on to the airport runway to board a scheduled British Airways flight to New York.

News reports said she was headed to Washington to stay with Lucia Flecha de Lima, a close friend who is the wife of the Brazilian ambassador to the United States.

Diana smiled at a dozen airport workers who applauded her. One shouted, "Good Luck, Di!" as she went up the steps to

Diana will stay in Washington through the weekend, the British news agency Press Association reported.

That would keep her out of town when The Sunday Times of London publishes the second installment of the authorized biography of her husband, Prince Charles, 45-year-old heir to the British throne.

The first installment of the "Prince of Wales," by Jonathan Dimbleby, said the prince never

loved Diana and was forced to weekly magazine Voici that marry her by his domineering they have agreed to divorce and father. It created a sensation.

As Revelations Unfold, Diana Heads to U.S. for a Break

that Diana is getting a settle-ment of £24 million (\$38 mil-The couple's lawyers have de-

# **Away From Politics**

Americans, the report says. • The U.S. Navy dropped all claims of fraud against Stanford University, settling a four-year dispute over allegations that the California school overbilled it by millions of dollars for

will pay \$1.2 million to the government.

• In New York's latest outbreak of auto rustling, about a dozen masked men held a garage attendant at gunpoint and stole four BMWs, two Lexuses, two Acuras and a Jeep.

tors that would save an owner about \$120 during the appliance's life has been announced by appliance makers and the Natural Resources Defense Council, the environmental group

passers-by threw themselves against a glass door, trapping him in the bank lobby until the police arrived.

# Aristide Unveils Plan, Not Prime Minister

A mob tormenting a suspected "attaché," or pro-military gumman, in Port-au-Prince. He escaped by leaping onto a taxi.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti - Haiti's president, the Reverend Jean-Bertrand Aristide, unveiled an ambitious plan She designated 48 counties as Wednesday for creating a dem-

news conference since he was restored to office Saturday, said he had begun meeting with military leaders about reshaping the army, which has long been criticized for human rights abuses. He also said he had held talks with leaders of political parties about creating a political sys-The rain and flooding have tem that tolerates dissent, and with business executives.

But Father Aristide, who has come under mounting pressure to name a new prime minister nouncement on a replacement for Prime Minister Robert Malval. Mr. Malval was never Father Aristide's candidate for the job but was the favorite of U.S. diplomats, who saw him as a moderate in the conflict between the president and the military that deposed him in 1991.

The selection of the prime

United States and other nations morrow," the industrialist said. donating millions of dollars in emergency aid, are hoping he will name technocrats - not ideologues - to the key ministries of finance and commerce,

as well as the central bank. A leading industrialist said the business community "is watching and waiting for a sign from Aristide" before moving to reopen plants, hire workers or organize imports needed to re-energize the nation's stag-

widely seen here as the president's first key test. Haitian businessmen, as well as the minister now, like today or to-"The power vacuum is what is really unhealthy."

Sources close to the deliberations say Father Aristide has run into several political roadblocks on his choice of prime minister. Business leaders are pressing him to select a conservative capable of attracting international investment and keeping wages low to stimulate employment.

Haitian political sources said

# After GI Suicides, Counselors Go to Haiti

WASHINGTON

did not know if the suicides are seling to soldiers in emotional related, but the number of self- distress.

Alarmed by three suicides in The action team includes three weeks among U.S. service three military psychiatrists, who was serving on a navy ship members in Haiti, the Pentagon who officials said would work involved in the Haiti operation. has announced that a "combat with chaplains from the army to stress action team" has arrived help leaders from individual in the country to provide psyumits identify the symptoms of

nel serving in Haiti was unusu- served in the same brigade of the army's 10th Mountain Division, and one was by a Marine who was serving on a navy ship

dras, now in exile in Panama.

joyed wide international support, Smark Michel, had

been offered the job but de-

clined. A friend of Mr. Michel's

said he was "saving himself the

In Somalia, where 96,000 troops served more than a year, there was only one suicide. Durchological counseling. someone who might be suicidal, ing the Gulf War, there were 25
Pentagon officials said they as well as provide direct countimes more U.S. servicesomeone who might be suicidal, ing the Gulf War, there were 25 members sent to the Middle East than have been dispatched inflicted deaths among the Two of the spicides were to Haiti, but just eight suicides,

THEASE NOTE OUR NEW RESERVATIONS NUMBERS

nied a report in the French lion).

• Residue from potent agricultural weedkillers is contaminating the drinking water supplies of millions of Americans, according to a study by the Environmental Working Group, a nonprofit organization. Five herbicides commonly used by farmers wind up in drinking-water systems used by 14 million

contracted research. Under the agreement, however, Stanford

An agreement on energy-efficiency standards for refrigera-

that spearheaded the conservation effort.

• A thief used a buildozer to knock down shed doors at a quarry in Rockford, Illinois, and drove off in a truck loaded with 900 pounds (400 kilograms) of dynamite, authorities

said. Three pounds is enough to destroy a car.

• A man who allegedly stabbed a customer at an automatic teller machine in New York was captured after five outraged

### aggravation of working with The interim army chief, Ma-Where to find the World's jor General Jean-Claude Duperval, is also expected to be replaced. He was named last week to replace the junta leader. Finest Hotels and Resorts. Lieutenant General Raoul Cé-

The Oriental, Bangkok Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong Mandarin Oriental, Jakarta The Ritz, London Mandarin Oriental, Macau Mandarin Oriental, Manila Mandarin Oriental, San Francisco The Oriental, Singapore Baan Taling Ngam, Thailand Phuker Yacht Club, Thailand Hotel Bela Vista, Macau

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# Breakthrough in Korea

# Victory for Diplomacy

Diplomacy with North Korea has scored a resounding triumph. Monday's draft agreement freezing and then dis-mantling North Korea's nuclear program should bring to an end two years of international anxiety and put to rest widespread fears that an unpredictable nation might provoke nuclear disaster.

The U.S. negotiator, Robert Gallucci, and his North Korean interlocutors have drawn up a detailed road map of reciprocal steps that both sides accepted despite deep mutual suspicion. In so doing they have defied impatient hawks and other skeptics who accused the Clinton administration of gullibility and

urged swifter, stronger action.
The North has agreed first to freeze its nuclear program in return for U.S. diplomatic recognition and oil from Japan and other countries to meet its energy needs. Pyongyang will then begin to roll back that program as an American-led consortium replaces the North's nuclear reactors with two new ones that are much less able to be used for bombmaking. At that time, the North will also allow special inspections of its nuclear waste sites, which could help determine how much plutonium it had extracted from spent fuel in the past.

A last-minute snag. North Korea's refusal to resume its suspended talks with neighboring South Korea, was resolved to Seoul's satisfaction. If Washington and Pyongyang approve the agreement, and if the North fulfills its commitments, this negotiation could become a textbook case on how to curb the spread of nuclear arms.

Hawks, arguing that the North was simply stalling while it built more bombs, had called for economic sanctions or attacks on the North's nuclear installations. The Clinton administration muted the war talk and pursued determined dipiomacy.

Reassuring the North paid off in the end. Given the residual mistrust between the two sides, the United States will now sensibly provide more tangible reassurance. It is moving toward diplomatic recognition, in the form of an exchange of liaison offices, and economic cooperation, in the form of heavy fuel oil from others in the U.S.-led consortium and the start of construction of new nuclear reactors.

In return, the North will put its nuclear program in a deep freeze by not refueling its nuclear reactor, arranging temporary safe storage of the spent fuel rods removed from that reactor and sealing its reprocessing facility to prevent the extraction of plutonium from those fuel rods. Implementing the freeze and allowing it to be verified are important tests of the North's good faith. Then, in elaborately choreographed

stages detailed in a confidential note, nuclear dismantling will proceed step by step with reactor replacement. That gives both sides leverage against reneging. At the end of stage one, with construction of the first reactor well under way but before key nuclear components have been supplied, the North will allow special inspections of its nuclear waste sites.

In stage two, as construction proceeds on the two reactors, the North will grad-ually ship its 8,000 spent fuel rods

abroad for reprocessing. In stage three, as the second replacement reactor nears completion, the North will dismantle all its bomb-making facilities, including its old graphite reactors and reprocessing plant.
Critics say the United States is in

effect bribing North Korea to comply with the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty. Yet Washington has previously provided inducements to others, including South Korea, to refrain from bombmaking. It has got the North to do a lot more than the treaty requires, like dismantle its nuclear installations.

From the start, the hawks' alternative to diplomacy was full of danger. Their solution - economic sanctions and bombing runs — might have disarmed North Korea, but only at the risk of war. President Bill Clinton, former President Jimmy Carter and Ambassador Gallucci deserve warm praise for charting a less costly and more successful course.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

### Trust Will Take Years

If it works out, the accord just announced by the United States and its longest-running adversary. North Korea, marks a gigantic political breakthrough. It could end the specter of a rogue state's going nuclear, challenging an Americansupported regional order and provoking others to go nuclear as well.

In negotiations extending over two American administrations. North Korea had only one card: its status as a renegade would-be nuclear power. As an isolated and failing Communist state abandoned by its patrons and increasingly outclassed by its neighbors, it desperately needed access to security, economic and political benefits.

riest it sought these by trading in its prospective nuclear capability. But Washington insisted, as it had to, that North Korea abandon any previously acquired capability, too.

This is apparently the deal - internationally monitored containment plus eventual rollback - announced in outline in Geneva. The text completed by American negotiator Robert Gallucci, with his North Korean counterpart, remains to be approved, signed and sub-mitted to public scrutiny. It seems, however, that for the phased opening up of its nuclear plant and for yielding its dangerous plutonium-producing graphite nuclear technology. North Korea is to get, again in phases, early resumption of dia-

At the Seventh Regiment Armory, on Park Avenue in Manhattan, is a bronze

horse and chariot from the second centu-

ry A.D. "I have people panting to buy it," an antique dealer told The New York

At Pier 92, which pokes into the Hud-

son at 52d Street, is soon to be - among

other monuments to Americana - enough

chalkware, spongeware, spatterware and

slipware to choke quite a few horses.

None of it will go for a song.

At the Coliseum, at Columbus Circle,

is sure to be 12 arms' worth of Bakelite

bracelets, three rooms' worth of Tiffany

and Tiffany-like lamps, the occasional

architectural artifact and several inde-

scribables, all of which will be described

as "to die."
As of last Friday, when the Inter-

national Fine Art and Antique Dealers

Show (home of that horse) opened, it is nunting season in New York.

In other parts of America, deer and

Times. He is asking \$3.5 million.

logue with South Korea, a diplomatic link with the United States, safer lightwater nuclear reactors and transitional energy supplies and other inducements.

President Bill Clinton, to win this agreement, pursued a twisting trail. With an unorthodox assist from Jimmy Carter, he added a diplomatic track to tactics of military and economic pressure at what turned out to be the right moment. China evidently applied its influence in Pyongyang behind the scenes. Japan at least played a part as ready financier of arrangements made by others. South Korea contributed an essential steadiness.

North Korea's record of treachery, its maintenance of a regime conducive to treachery and its leadership uncertaindo-this-we-do-that phasing of the new accord lets the United States hold North Korea to its obligations to freeze and dismantle the graphite reactors, comply with the nuclear abstinence demanded under the Nonproliferation Treaty and

expand relations with South Korea. North Korea's negotiator said the agreement removes distrust. No, only delivery on the agreement will remove distrust. It will take years.

But if North Korea follows through in undoing this lone military confrontation left over from the Cold War, it will ensure a better future for many others as well as for itself.

rabbits are running for their lives. Here the prey is an antique dealer who does not know the value of his wares and

underprices accordingly. One has a better

The season reaches a peak of sorts next month, at the so-called Triple Pier, for

which the wise wear sensible shoes and

the really smart carry cellular phones.

("Frances! Where are you? I'm at Booth

25, next to the glass walking sticks.") The accents may be somewhat posher and the

voices somewhat more muted at the prici-

er shows, but do not kid yourself that the

rich are different. Whether the object

under discussion is tagged at \$1 million

or \$100, the dialogue is always the same.

"Is this your best price?" "Can you do any better for cash?" "If I take both, can

we work out something?" And, trotted out on the show's last day, "You don't

want to bother with repacking that and

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

carting it back to your shop, do you?"

chance of finding a dodo.

**Hunting Season for Horses** 

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

# NORTH KOREA NEWS 50, AS FAR AS : SAT! UNCERSTAND, THE AMERICANS ARE GOING TO PAY OUR ELECTRIC BILLS ... Suparang じこりにら B, JEFF DANZIGER

# A Big Step Toward Korean Normality

HONG KONG — It is too soon to give three cheers to the agreement reached between the United States and North Korea. There can be few certainties in dealings with Pyong-yang. But so far, at least, it is a victory for quiet but hardhead-

ed diplomacy, and its significance for Korea is immense. The headline news is that the deal represents resolution of the issue of nuclear proliferation, and hence reduces the potential for war on the peninsula. But at least as important is the way it opens up the North to economic and diplomatic dialogue with the outside world, and thus ultimately to reunification.

All along it had been apparent that Pyongyang's nuclear program was meant as much for economic and diplomatic bargaining as for military potential. But the United States could easily have been pushed by the hysteria evident in Washington earlier in the year into abandoning negotiation, if not actually resorting to bombing the North as advocated by some. Forthright policies on Iraq and Haiti provide cover for the administration not to be too vulnerable to accusations of weakness vis-àvis North Korea.

Credit is due to the State Department, to U.S. negotiator

By Philip Bowring

Robert L. Gallucci and to former President Jimmy Carter for maintaining a realistic course that recognized Northeast Asian realities.

The negotiating has weathered some erratic talk coming out of Seoul, where the administration has veered between accusing Washington of saber rattling without regard to Korean interests, and, more recently, of kowtowing to Pyongyang.
The United States may not

have stopped Pyongyang from acquiring a nuclear capability of sorts, but whatever the North may possess is militarily largely irrelevant while U.S. forces are in Korea. Now the deal should put a stop to development of the nuclear program.

Provision of \$4 billion worth of reactors may seem a high price — to be paid mainly by Japan and South Korea. But if nonproliferation is so important, the price is cheap, and if it is not so important, the United States and its allies have only themselves to blame for exaggerating Pyongyang's potential and playing into its hands.

The interim energy, by helping the North get by while the nuclear power stations are being

built, may possibly help keep the regime in power. That is clearly unsettling for ideologues who see any deal with Pyong-yang as delaying the inevitable demise of the system. But the resumption of dialogue and business dealings with the South will, together with the power deal. start to open up the economy, and ultimately the system.

Although many Southerners would in their hearts be happy to see the collapse of the Pyong yang government, their minds prefer gradualism.

It remains to be seen how quickly the two Koreas can move toward cooperation. The North may still need an enemy. Many in the South are content with a status quo that allows the South to concentrate on making itself richer. Kim Il Sung's sucessors, whoever they may ultimately be, will look to the Chinese model of Communist survivalism. It is doubtful that it will work in the Korean context, overshadowed by the South, but it is the only chance they have.

The agreement with Washington, which includes provision for a U.S. liaison office in Pyongyang (a first step toward full relations), is a giant step toward normality for this most abnormal of regimes.

International Herald Tribune.

# Rent for Raoul Cédras, Fuel for Kim Jong II

By Jim Hoagland

WASHINGTON — The contrast between the firm line that Bill Clinton has taken with Iraq's saber rattling and the "Let's make a deal" approach followed with the troublemakers in Haiti and North Korea is troubling.

The United States has taken the morally and politically sound position that Iraq must not be rewarded for bad behavior. But on Haiti and North Korea, Mr. Clinton has become the facilitator in chief.

Was it really necessary for the White House to agree that the United States government would rent three houses owned by Lieu-tenant General Cedras for a total of \$5,000 a month to clinch the deal for the general to leave Haiti?

In one sense, Sandy Berger, Mr. Clinton's deputy national security adviser, is right when he says the renting of the houses is "a minor Compared with letting Cedras & Co. stay in power for a full year of murdering and looting after they tore up the U.S.-brokered Governors Island accord, and then helping ease them into golden ex-ile, renting three houses from General Cèdras is no big deal.

Except it is, I suspect that the house deal is the drop that causes the cup to overflow for many Americans who understand that rancid diplomatic deals are necessary but have trouble grasping why America must go along with even the smallest crass commercial concession demanded by one of the universe's great blackguards.

Is there no suspicion at the White House that General Cedras may have been rubbing American noses in the dirt with the real estate deal? He reportedly said that his real concern was not money but that the houses would be burned down when he left. De-manding rental by the United States seems to have been his way of getting a security system and

of getting a security system and full-time guards for his property.

Mr. Berger sees it differently.

He was managing the scheduled Oct. 15 return of Jean-Bertrand Aristide, and felt it vital to get General Cédras out of town before President Aristide returned.

When the general brought his real estate into the talks on Wednesday, Mr. Berger's concern was to avoid having Ambassador William Swing spend "the next two days worrying about whether Cedras was really going to leave."

Mr. Berger added: "We wanted to establish that the past had ended and it was now the future. That was worth disposing of the hous-ing question" quickly, once it had been established that General Cedras was asking a fair rent.

Reasonable people will not quibble with the administration's goals of avoiding a Haiti invasion or a military confrontation with North Korea over nuclear weapons. But the way in which the deals have been arrived at suggests a tendency in this administration to reward its adversaries for hanging tough. Other rogue regimes abroad may now think that behaving obnoxiously and dangerously is the best way to exact tribute from Washington.

The cave-in to China's ruling Communists on both the economic and the political fronts, evidenced by Defense Secretary William Perry's buttering-up visit to Beijing this week, sends a mes-

sage of rollability.
So do slowly yielded but now apparent U.S. concessions on the timing of international inspections, the supplying of fuel oil and the guarantee of two new nuclear reactors worth \$4 billion to North Korea in a deal to be signed on Friday.

Initial press reports describe a deal that leaves the most important leverage over its terms in the hands of North Korea up to the year 2003 and perhaps beyond. North Korea can preserve the ambiguity around its current nuclear weapons stockpile for another five years. Pyongyang con-trols for a decade enough ma-terial to build new bombs if it decides to back out of the deal.

The Haiti housing deal is symptomatic of these larger concerns. The national security adviser, Anthony Lake, defended the housing deal and the other generosity offered to Cedras & Co. by telling reporters: "There is no bribe here, there is nothing hidden here, there are no hidden inducements. I am not apologetic in the slightest here."

That is the problem, Mr. Lake. It may be necessary to commit a America to becoming Raoul Cedras's tenant or Kim Jong II's fuel supplier, but Americans deserve an apology for having to do so. even in the line of duty.

# America and China: Two Wary Powers With Much to Talk Over

ONDON — This week's visit to China by the U.S. defense secretary, William Perry, was both overdue and necessary. The

two sides had much to talk about. i ne visit was the first by a t defense secretary since 1989. It would not have been feasible during the maelstrom over America's extension of favored-trade status for China. But it is proof of the benefits of delinking human rights from the broader aspects of

hinese-American relations. It was a politically sensitive and high-risk visit. It could backfire on Presidents Bill Clinton and Jiang Zemin, who approved it in the face

of domestic opposition. In Beijing, a substantial portion of Communist Party leaders and People's Liberation Army brass view the United States in suspicious terms. They perceive Washington to be carrying out a hostile policy of "peaceful evolu-tion" aimed at destabilizing China and the party's rule internally while containing it externally.

By David Shambaugh

cludes Washington's moves to en- cal to U.S. interests. courage independence for Taiwan and libet; to frustrate China's accession to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade: to trump up a "China threat" to Asia; to pressure the Chinese army to become more transparent; and to tie China into an American-dominated collective security system in East Asia.

Beijing's brass is still stinging over the 1989 cutoff in militaryto-military ties and U.S. sales of defense technology to the PLA. The aborted "Peace Pearl" project to upgrade China's most advanced fighter cost China several hundred million dollars.

Critics in Washington believe it is inappropriate to deal with those responsible for the Beijing massacre. They offer a litany of problems in China's security behavior — from missile sales to Pakistan to the building of naval

This perception allegedly in- bases in Burma - that are inimi-So there was every reason for

the two military establishments to talk. It is not in the interests of the United States or other nations to isolate China. An isolated China is a dangerous China. Moreover, as China approaches

the post-Deng era, there is ample evidence that the PLA generals are playing a central role in Politburo politics and will be pivotal to China's future. The military could be called on to keep the regime in power and hold the country together. It was as important for Mr. Perry to gauge PLA perspectives on internal Chinese politics as on external security policy.

While Mr. Perry apparently made little headway on human rights concerns, he was correct to tell his hosts that Chinese-American military ties must proceed in the context of the political relationship. There are other areas of

importance where Mr. Perry cation of a Defense White Paper. hopefully exchanged views. Fourth, Mr. Perry bopefully First is the question of U.S.

forces in the Asia-Pacific region. Members of China's military and civilian security have become more vocal in questioning the need for American forces in the region. They suspect that these forces will increasingly be positioned to contain China. Hopefully, Mr. Perry explained the U.S. rationale for the contin-ued presence of 100,000 Ameri-

can troops in East Asia. Second, Mr. Perry hopefully explained American thinking about governmental dialogues on regional security and the potential for a collective security regime in the Asia-Pacific. Beijing remains wary of such mechanisms, fearing that they aim to contain China by enmeshing it in binding structures that would compromise China's sovereignty. China is adamant that regional security issues are inap-propriate for multilateral resolution through venues such as the ASEAN Regional Forum.

To many in Asia, China is the looming security problem in the region: it is therefore vital to involve Beijing actively in such dis-cussions. Taipei should also be brought into the process. The Tai-

to convince his interlocutors that transparency enhances security by opening military establishments, reducing outside fears and building confidence. The PLA is one of the least transparent militaries in the world.

By raising the issue, Mr. Perry threw his weight behind a reformist faction in the Foreign Ministry and the military that favors greater transparency, including the publi-

pressed Beijing on its nuclear force modernization program, and encouraged it to adhere to the intertesting. Japan recently threatened economic penalties if China persists in testing; the United States should consider the same.

Fifth, Beijing's exports of missile technology were high on Mr. Perry's agenda. The United States and China recently reached agreement on banning further exports of the mediumrange missile, and this is to be welcomed. But Beijing should be made a full member of the Missile Technology Control Regime. Sixth, the North Korean nucle-

ar crisis was alleviated in Geneva while Mr. Perry was in Beijing. China has helped broker the crisis behind the scenes. American and Chinese security interests converge on the Korean Peninsula. Continued cooperation will be crucial in getting Pyongyang to adhere to the agreement. Mr. Perry initiated a series of

steps to broaden and deepen security and military consultations. This can and should be done without restarting U.S. military sales to China. The United States and China

are too big and important to be locked into a relationship of suspicious hostility. The perception gap between the two remains deep, but Mr. Perry's visit was an important step toward bridging it.

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### wan Strait is again becoming a focal point of potential conflict. Third, Mr. Perry correctly tried aware of the secondary comnet by the CARL Corporation. mercial uses to which their pub-

BERKELEY, California — Intellectual property has become an opulent, sophisticated, even somewhat debauched region of American law. Individuals and corporations

have staked legal claims to slogans, facial and vocal likenesses, melodic snippets, genetic sequences, bits of mathematical reasoning, unpublished letters and the look and feel of software programs. It's a little startling, then, to

discover that something as traditional as a printed page can still routinely fall prey to acts of verbatim for-profit theft.

Yet in the supposedly cutting-edge world of the electronic data base, thousands of surprisingly old-fashioned, Brooklyn Bridgestyle recyclings and resellings are in progress.

Data base companies are us-ing their status as "indexes" to shield themselves from the legal obligations that the rest of the publishing industry has developed over several hundred years. The National Writers Union is now questioning the right of

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without the authors' consent. Articles, essays and book excerpts of mine that first appeared in The Atlantic Monthly, The New Yorker and Playboy are among the many thousands of offerings available by fax - at \$8 per retrieval - or electronically — at \$3 per retrieval from The Magazine Index. a service of Ziff Communications

that is distributed on the Inter-

By Nicholson Baker

Downloading Other People's Writing

Some of these pieces will appear in a forthcoming collec-tion. Others are excerpts from books currently in print. I own the copyright to all of them.

I was never asked by the Magazine Index whether I wanted my work faxed or downloaded to credit-card buyers on demand. and I would not have given the company permission if I had been asked,

Out of curiosity, I ordered several of my own pieces from the company. The service is expensive - a single faxed article for the price of a paperback. It is troubled by typos — one piece of mine is listed under 'Nicholas Baker." It is not dependable - I was charged for pieces I never received.

And, most important, it was built on piracy — that is, on the republication of materials for financial gain without their creators' consent.

It is not unlike the sort of piracy that flourished in the industry in the 18th and early 19th centuries, when unscrupulous American publishers would hastily, and without obtaining the assignment of any right, bring out editions of books legally printed in England.

What about the magazines that printed the articles in the first place? In my experience, most magazines have little interest in subsidizing or helping to build data bases by selling

rights to things they don't own. They are in some cases unlication is being put. The Magazine Index, and others like it, are playing on the

confusion that reigns in the area of electronic-document delivery. One solution to the problem, now proposed by the National Writers Union, is to create a royalty-sharing plan modeled on the music industry's Ascap system. Whenever a magazine data base "plays a single" -downloads or faxes an article to a consumer - some percentage

down to the piece's author. It is interesting to speculate on what the hit singles might be in this proposed arrangement. They would not necessarily be big cover stories in general interest magazines, since those already have a wide distribution.

of the fee charged would trickle

Rather, they might be obscure genealogical treatises, how-totips for the beginning designer of flume rides or sell-your-satellite-dish-and-lease-it-back money-making schemes that appear specialized periodicals.

Whoever the new database stars are, they deserve some fraction of the money being charged for their prose. A writer should have a say in determining who will sell his or her words, in what format and at what price.

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# IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

### 1894: Lafavette Praised PARIS - Nearly three hundred

American and French gentlemen and ladies assembled yesterday Oct. 19] at the Picpus Cemetery to do honor to Lafayette. Captain Nathan Appleton, Vice-President and Delegate of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, said it had been his privilege and honor to bring a "marker" of the society to place on the tomb of Lafayette, who more than a hundred years ago had aided the American people to secure independence as a nation. The debt of gratitude owed to France could never be too often or too forcibly expressed.

1919: Signs of the Times

LONDON - Some nervous people are protesting against the realism of the picture warnings used by the Underground Railways. The growth of "kindergarten" posters since the war is remarkable, though we have not got to the grim skull and cross-bones that French and Italians put up near bad drinking water. Perhaps the idea could be extended to brighten up the dull official reading on our railway platforms. We may soon be told, for instance: "If you downward pull the chain, You spread alarm and stop the train."

### 1944: MacArthur Back ALLIED HEADQUARTERS —

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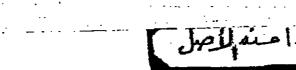
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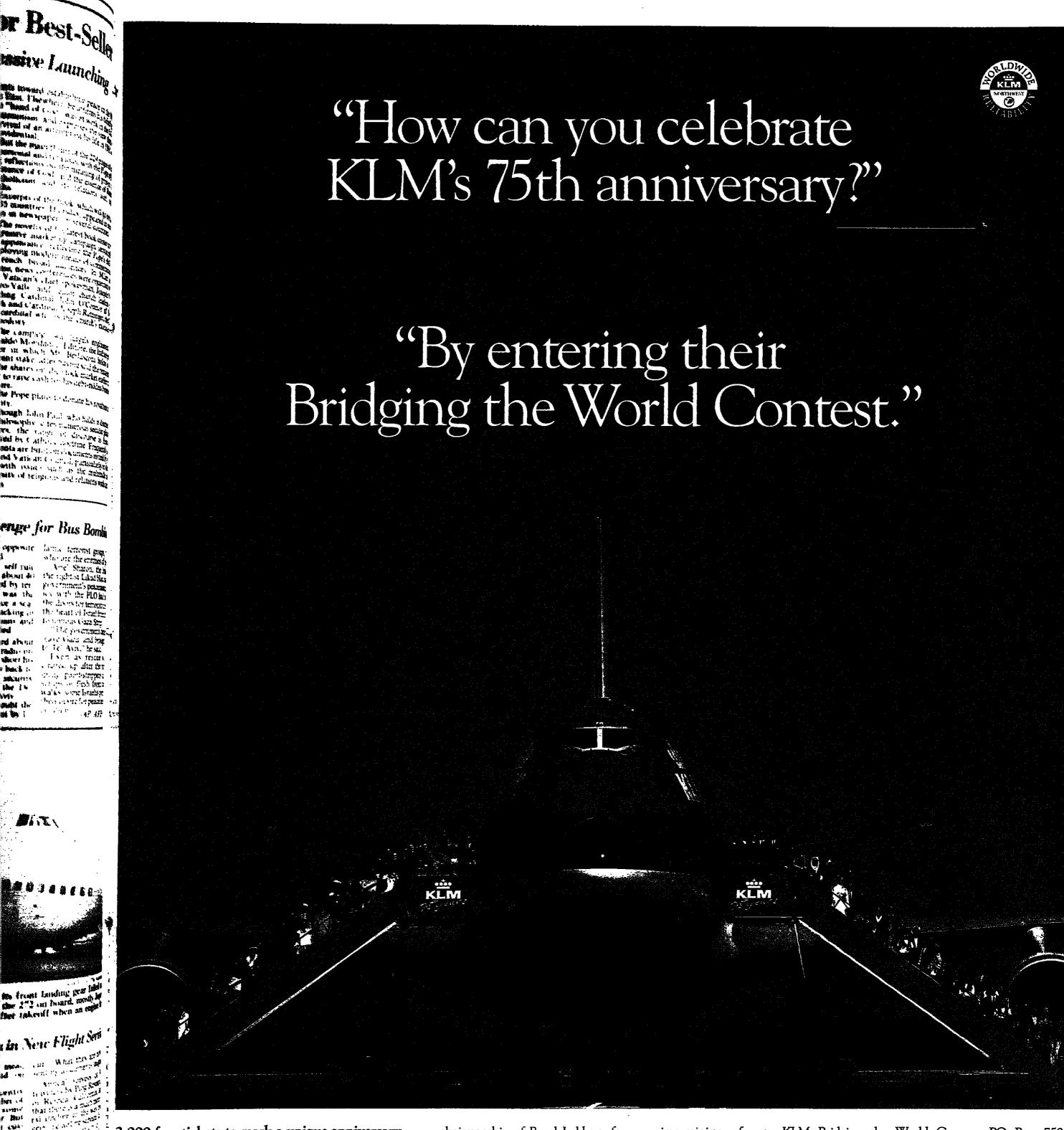
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# HEALTH / SCIENCE

# IQ Debate: Explosive Books on Intelligence, Race and Class

By Malcolm W. Browne New York Times Service

EW YORK — One may loathe or share the opinions expressed in the three books discussed here, but one thing seems clear: The government or society that persists in sweeping their subject matter under the rug will do so at its peril.

The issues raised by the scholars who wrote these books bear intimately on America's near future: its quality of life, its citizens' sense of belonging, its economic survival and the very foundations of a democratic society. They believe that America is rapidly evolving a huge under-class, an intellectually deprived population of men and women whose cognitive abilities will never match the future needs of most employers and for whom American society seems to have less use each year. The prisoners of this new underclass, the authors fear, may be permanently doomed by their intellectual shortcomings to welfare dependency, poverty, crime and lives shorn of any hope of realizing the American dream.

The numbers are far from encouraging. Indicators of national intelligence in the United States have declined compared with similar measurements of intelligence in other countries. The demographer Daniel R. Vining Jr. has calculated that America's IQ scores have fallen about five points since intelligence tests first came into use at the beginning of this century, and the College Entrance Examination Board says that scores for the Scholastic Aptitude Test fell from 1962 to 1990 by 11 percent in the verbal section and 5 percent in the mathematics part. The Educational Testing Service does not call the S.A.T. an intelligence test, but the test is nevertheless supposed to measure something like native brainpower.

Worst of all, say the authors, the lowest intellectual levels of the population are strongly outbreeding the brightest, and if (as most psychologists believe) intelligence is partly inherited. America is losing the cognitive base essential to coping with national problems.

N "The Bell Curve: Intelligence and Class Structure in American Life" (The Free Press, New York), Richard J. Herrnstein and Charles Murray write, "Mounting evidence indicates that demographic trends are exerting downward pressures on the distribution of cognitive ability in the United States and that the pressures are strong enough to have social consequences." It makes little difference whether people at the low end of the intelligence scale pass on their deficit genetically or environmentally, they say: If women with low scores are reproducing more rapidly than women with high scores, the distribution of scores will, other things equal, decline, no matter whether the women with the low scores came by

them through nature or nurture." This thesis becomes especially unpalatable when one considers the authors' observation that a large proportion of this emergent underclass is black. Unless fuamodations groups lead to a more harmonious social structure, Mr. Herrnstein and Mr. Murray say, the potential for racial hatred seems some 15 IQ points lower than whites. (Mr. enormous.

However much one may disagree with this assessment, the possibility that the authors may be even partly right makes these three books worth plowing through and mulling over. The articulation of issues touching on group intelligence and ethnicity has been neither fashionable nor safe for the last three decades, but these scholars argue that the time has come to grasp the nettle of political heresy, to discard social myths and to come to grips with statistical evidence.

The authors suggest that unless we do something to correct present trends. America may soon be permanently split between an isolated caste of ruling meritocrats on one hand and a vast, powerless Lumpenproletariat on the other. Society, the authors predict, will have little use for this underclass in a world dominated by sophisticated machines and the bright human beings who tend them.

This grim future may already be un-

EYMOUR W. Itzkoff, whose book "The Decline of Intelli-gence in America: A Strategy for National Renewal" (Praeger. Westport, Connecticut) is the gloomiest of the group, writes: "Our problem is simple, but oh-so-difficult to discuss, let alone accept. We are a different people than we were 50 years ago. In truth, we are not the nation that we were. Relative to the rest of the developed and developing world, we probably no longer have the intellectual capital that can profit from the available educational resources."

These books are heavily laced with statistics, bibliographic citations and ideas requiring time to consider, and they are not light reading.

The writers are recognized by col-

leagues as serious scholars. Mr. Herrnstein, who died from lung cancer at the age of 64 in September, just before publication of "The Bell Curve," was a professor of psychology at Harvard University; Mr. Murray, a fellow at the American Enterprise Institute whose views influenced the Reagan White House, is the author of "Losing Ground: American Social Policy 1950-1980"; J. Phillipe Rushton, the firebrand of the quartet, is a professor of psychology at the University of West-ern Ontario, and Mr. Itzkoff is a professor of education at Smith College.

Although their books vary in viewpoint, the authors share a suite of controversial convictions. They believe that intelligence in some deep but ill-defined sense is a real attribute of human beings, not some artificial construct of the psychometricians who invented intelligence tests. They believe that IQ can be quantitatively measured, and that intelligence is at least partly heritable. They say that numerical measurements of intelligence are statistically (albeit weakly) correlated with job performance, as well as with rates of birth. marriage, divorce, illegitimacy, crime, welfare dependency and participation in

the political process. Moreover, they say, intelligence test Jups. un the United States, Asians generally score a few points higher than whites and blacks

passing that "Ashkenazi Jews of European origins . . . test higher than any other ethnic group.") These relative standings have not changed appreciably over time, despite many profound changes during the last half-century in social and economic conditions. The authors acknowledge that an enriched social, educational. economic and intellectual environment can and does raise intelligence scores, but they insist that even when due allowance is made in terms of statistical comparisons of all other factors and measuring their relative weights, intelligence still seems to be strongly influenced by the genes of

one's forebears. This leads to the depressing inference by the authors that no matter how many remedial education programs are brought to bear on intellectually disadvantaged children, many of them will still be hamstrung by an ineradicable cognitive dis-ability created by genetic bad luck.

Society, the authors argue, should accept this as a real possibility and learn to cope with it, rather than merely denouncing all intelligence studies and ignoring the data they yield. For one thing, they say, much of the government money spent on education programs like Head Start (which was launched in 1964) is wasted, helping only the nation's bloated educational bureaucracies.

"The earliest returns on Head Start were exhilarating," Mr. Herrnstein and Mr. Murray write. "A few months spent by preschoolers in the first summer program seemed to be producing incredible Q gains — as much as 10 points." The gain was so impressive that in 1966 Congress expanded the program, but by then, the authors of "The Bell Curve" say, "experts were noticing the dreaded 'fade-out,' the gradual convergence in test scores of the children who participated in the program with comparable children who had not. To shorten a long story, every serious attempt to assess the impact of Head Start on intelligence has found fade-out." Cognitive benefits "picked up in the first grade of school are usually gone by the third grade. By sixth grade, they have vanished entire-

HIS leaves unanswered questions about whether the declining edu-cational environment after Head Start may in itself account for the fading out of its beneficial effects, and it raises related questions about IQ itself: if it can be raised by education, how strongis it linked to inheritance?

Taken individually, none of the propositions advanced in these books is necessarily a call to arms, but in combination they are explosive. The writers themselves, whose views have been widely known (among academics, at least) for many years, are no strangers to public rows, student boycotts, hostile demonstrations and even legal assaults. Aware of the storm of criticism their latest books may face, all four invoke mountains of statistics to fend off anticipated criticism from such critics as Stephen Jay Gould, the measure of Man" (1981) charged that "determinist arguments for ranking people according to a single scale of intelligence, no matter how numerically sophisticated, have recorded little more than social prejudice."

The authors cite many surveys suggesting significant correlations between low scores on intelligence tests and undesirable tendencies: a difficulty with learning, a likelihood of remaining impoverished and jobless, an involvement in all types of crime, a tendency not to vote or participate in community affairs, a high incidence of abusing or abandoning children and a record of producing far more children (most of them illegitimate) than can be supported.

Mr. Itzkoff believes that the least intelligent, least educable, poorest, most politically apathetic and abusive contingent of the population is reproducing faster than the smart, rich, politically active and nur-turing contingent. He believes this has fueled a dysgenic trend: America's collective smartness is being diluted, gravely endangering the nation's ability to compete economically in international mar-

N his book, Mr. Itzkoff places most of the blame for America's alleged intellectual decline on what he sees as an economically and intellectually elite caste of misguided liberals.

They have isolated themselves from American society, he says, by their paternalistic treatment of the underclass, by discounting the importance of traditional family values and by failing to raise enough bright, educated children to sustain national competence. Mr. Itzkoff's unabashedly conservative tract condemns liberals in government, in the news media and in society at large, and calls for an end to welfare programs, a radical reform of the academic and employment quota systems that are supported by affirmative action and a tightening of immigration

No such calls to action are urged by Mr. Rushton, the author of "Race, Evolution, and Behavior: A Life History Perspective" (Transaction Publishers, New Brunswick, New Jersey), or by Mr. Herrnstein and Mr. Murray. Nowhere do they advocate the measures championed by the eugenicists of the 1920s and 1930s, whose ideas were appropriated and perverted by the Nazis as the rationale for the Holocaust. Indeed, the authors of "The Bell Curve" say that the granting to any government or social institution of the power to decide who may breed and who may not is fraught with such obvious dangers as to be unacceptable.

Still, one suspects that the authors of these three books may have softened their agendas somewhat to party the expected fury of liberal critics, fellow academics and hostile mobs. Given their conclusions about intellect and demographics, it is hard to believe that these writers would oppose a eugenically motivated program designed to influence patterns of repro-

They leave many subjects untouched, including the genetic opportunities created by molecular biology — a Pandora's box loaded with paradoxes and snares. For the first time in human history, it may

people of inherited scourges like sickle-cell anemia and Tay-Sachs disease. Most people would argue that society is justi-fied in fighting physical disease, but what if we were to carry the war against disease a step farther? Is it wrong to regard a hereditary predisposition to lower intelligence as a kind of genetic disease and to find ways to cure it?

Merely asking that question is enough to cause fear and outrage, and these authors, perhaps wisely, elect to leave it alone. Sooner or later, however, society may have to decide whether human beings have the right - perhaps even the duty — to strengthen our species cognitive defenses against an increasingly dangerous global environ-ment. Human beings evolved over the eons to defend themselves against changes in their environment, and things are still changing.

Meanwhile, there are matters of practical policy to consider, such as the merits of affirmative action. Psychometricians generally agree that blacks, on average, have scored lower than whites on intelligence tests and that whites have scored lower than Asians ever since such tests were devised early in this century. But it is often argued that standardized tests cannot measure intelligence, and that the tests administered in the United States are especially pointless because they are culturally biased against blacks and Hispan-

Mr. Murray and Mr. Herrnstein argue, however, that charges of systematic bias in intelligence testing are refuted by objective analyses of the available data. They cite the Scholastic Aptitude Test as one of their examples. "If the S.A.T. is biased against blacks." they say, "it will underpredict their college performance." But "external evidence of bias has been sought in hundreds of studies," Mr. Herrnstein and Mr. Murray say. "It has been evaluated relative to performance in elementary school, in secondary school, in the university, in the armed forces, in unskilled and skilled jobs, in the professions. Overwhelmingly, the evidence is that the major standardized tests used to help make school and job decisions do not underpredict black performance, nor does the expert community find any other general or systematic difference in the predictive accuracy of tests for blacks and whites."

NE of the strengths of "The Bell Curve" is that it devotes an en-tire section to the relationship between IQ and behavior among whites alone, thereby eliminating the complications arising from interracial comparisons. Analyses of data gathered from exclusively white demographic groups strongly suggest that even if one ignores race, socioeconomic status and family background, IQ does indeed correlate with birth rates, crime rates and many other things. Taken as a whole, the statistics are impressive; it seems hard to challenge the notion that IQ plays a statistically important role in the shaping of society.

Statistics can be powerfully persuasive but they are as slippery as eels, often soon be possible to confer resistance to disease upon living organisms and to free susceptible to opposing interpretations. In brief, it is sometimes difficult to tell good book Review.

statistics from bad ones. Epidemiology, a branch of medicine that relies heavily on statistics and has had some brilliant successes but also some spectacular failures, is a case in point.

One of the main problems in assessing statistics is the risk of overlooking confounding variables. A graph demonstrat-ing a positive correlation between intelligence test scores and academic achievement may be very persuasive until, perhaps, one looks at an equally impressive graph that shows a negative correlation between academic achievement and the level of environmental lead to which a student in exposed. Does the lead impair the learning process directly, or does it do so indirectly by reducing cognitive ability?

Mr. Rushton's book, "Race, Evolution, and Behavior," is incendiary. His thesis is that separate races of human beings evolved different reproductive strategies to cope with different environments, and that these strategies led to physical differences between races, including differences in brain size and hence in intelligence. Human beings who evolved in the warm but highly unpredictable environment of Africa adopted a strategy of high repro-duction, while human beings who migrated to the hostile cold of Europe and northern Asia took to producing fewer children but nurturing them more careful-

■ HIS, Mr. Rushton contends, gave rise to three major races (he scorns the phrase "ethnic groups") — mongoloids, caucasoids and negroids — and to physiological differences between the races (things like pelvis size, genital size and fertility rates) that are consonant with their rated of reproduction. He cites worldwide studies concluding that black women ovulate more often than white women, have more twins than white women, mature sexually faster than whites, and differ in other ways that affect their reproduction rates and strategies for child rearing, Among Mr. Rushton's conclusions are that whites, on average, emphasize nurture rather than numbers of offspring, while blacks, on average, are shaped by evolutionary selection pressures to produce more children but to nurture each one less. At the other extreme, some studies suggest that mongoloids evolved to produce even fewer offspring.

This is the kind of proposition that makes Mr. Rushton a constant target of furious protests. He is nevertheless regarded by many of his colleagues as a scholar and not a bigot. One of his papers on racial differences was presented at a 1989 meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and caused an uproar, but demands to suppress the paper were rejected by Walter Massey, who at the time was president of the association. Mr. Massey, who is black, argued that no scientific organization has the right to act as a censor of scientific

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# More Sober Look at Prozac

By Daniel Goleman New York Times Service

EW YORK — After listening to all the good news about the anti-depressant Prozac, researchers are taking a more sober second look. A statistical analysis of 13 studies of the medication finds that it is no more effective than the older generation of anti-depressants it has largely swept from the marketplace.

The study, published in The Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease, was the first meta-analysis of all of the published, stringently controlled studies of the effectiveness of fluoxetine, the generic name for Prozac. It concludes that "fluoxetine produces modest effects, roughly comparable in magnitude to those of other antidepressants."

Meta-analysis is a statistical method for combining findings from many smaller studies into one large one, rendering a more accurate overall assessment of the effectiveness of a treatment than does any single The average patient treated with fluoxetine had more improvement than 66 percent of those who received a dummy pill, or placebo. But metaanalysis of tricyclic anti-depressants, which were widely used before the advent of Prozac, found equivalent or

wonder drug, it doesn't seem to pro-duce any better effects than other anti-depressants," said Dr. Roger Greenberg, a psychologist in the department of psychiatry at the State University of New York Health Center at Syracuse, who was the main author of the new report.

the psychiatry department at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, said: "It doesn't surprise me. The tricyclics have been extraordinarily effective in treating depression."

The new finding is in keeping with one of the few studies to compare fluoxetine directly with tricyclic the mouth and eyes, sensitivity to anti-depressants. A 1990 article in bright light, blurry vision, constipa-The Journal of Affective Disorders tion, anxiety, weight gain, night by Danish researchers found that sweats, cardiovascular problems tricyclic anti-depressants were more and, in men, trouble getting an ereceffective in treating depression, tion or ejaculating.

higher rates of effectiveness. "Despite all the talk of this being a

Dr. Stuart Yudofsky, chairman of

Prozac works by altering the action of the neurotransmitter serotonin. Ordinarily when brain cells secrete serotonin to send a chemical message to a nearby cell, the serotonin is rapidly reabsorbed. This "re-uptake" inactivates the serotonin, clearing the way for another chemical message.

Fluoxetine interferes with the reabsorption of serotonin, making it more available to brain cells. Unlike earlier anti-depressants, which are more scattergun in their action in the brain, the new class of drugs limit their action to serotonin, and so have fewer side effects.

This makes fluoxetine easier to tolerate, an advantage that has played an important role in its becoming the leading anti-depressant in sales. Side effects of tricyclic antidepressants can include dryness of

# IN BRIEF

though they had more side effects 'Yo-Yo' Dieting Called than fluoretine. Minor Health Risk

> WASHINGTON (WP) - According to a new report, yo-vo dieting - repeated, unsuccessful cycles of diets and subsequent weight gain does not carry significant health risks and does not imperil the success of future weight-loss efforts.

The report, which appears in the Francisco. Journal of the American Medical Association, "kind of flies in the face sor of medicine at San Francisco of current medical opinion," said Susan Z. Yanovski, a researcher at the National Institutes of Health who received the hormone also and the executive secretary of the showed improved endurance. National Task Force on the Prevention and Treatment of Obesity. which compiled the findings.

However, Sally Smith, executive director of the California-based National Association to Advance Fat Acceptance, said that the study defies common sense and her members' dieting woes. "It's fat people's experience generally that weight cycling is harmful to our health and in the long run causes weight gain." she

# By Tim Hilchey

■ EW YORK — Daily injections of a human growth hormone helped reverse the severe loss of weight and muscle common in AIDS patients, according to researchers at the University of California at San

Dr. Morris Schambelan, a profes-General Hospital, which is affiliated with the university, said patients

"The people who gained weight with growth hormone gained lean body tissue," he said. "In fact their gain of lean tissue exceeded their gain in weight because they were losing fat at the same time."

He reported the findings at the Nutrition and HIV/AIDS in Phila-

In the two-year trial, with 178 in the United States, the subjects who

of their normal body mass before creating processes. entering the study, said Dr. Schambelan, who directed the study.

Growth Hormone and AIDS

Half of the patients injected themselves daily with the growth hor-mone while the rest injected a placebo. Neither patients nor doctors knew who was receiving growth hormone in the first three months of the trial, during which time the patients were monitored for changes in weight, body composition, endurance and other factors, he said.

After the three months, all the hormone, and those who began at that time also began gaining weight, the researchers said. Of the 50 par-Third International Symposium on ticipants in the San Francisco area in the initial phase, for instance, all have continued to take the hormone, Dr. Schambelan said, with some AIDS patients at 12 medical centers gaining as much as 30 pounds so far.

received growth hormone injections researcher at St. Luke's-Roosevelt gained an average of 3.6 pounds (1.6 Hospital Center in Manhattan, said Hospital Center in Manhattan, said kilograms) in the first three months of Schambelan's growth hormone thertherapy, including 6.6 pounds of mus- apy holds great promise because it cle. The 172 men and 6 women who aims to improve a patient's metabotook part had lost at least 10 percent lism by stimulating the body's cell-"You deal with disease either by

trying to cure it or trying to make people feel better," Dr. Kotler said. "AIDS-associated wasting affects the way a person feels and performs independent of immune function. At the present time we can't improve immune function. Growth hormone is one of the therapies that is based upon trying to improve quality of Dr. Kotler said the hormone ther-

apy might have wide applications beyond the treatment of AIDS. "In participants were allowed to use the so many other chronic diseases lung disease, heart disease, kidney disease, joint disease - muscle wasting is a problem that limits performance," he said. "In stroke patients, for example, muscle strength is the difference between someone getting therapy and going home or being warehoused in a nursing home for Dr. Donald P. Kotler, an AIDS the rest of their life."

### **BOOKS**

**CHRISTINA STEAD:** A Biography

By Hazel Rowley, 644 pages, \$37.50. Henry Holt.

Reviewed by Elizabeth Ward

E ARLY in 1965 a long-out-of-print novel was reissued in New York bearing a lavishly admiring introduction by Randall Jarrell: "It seems to me," Jarrell wrote, choosing his words with characteristic precision, "as plainly good as 'War and Peace' and 'Crime and Punishment' and 'Remembrance of Things Past' are plainly great."

The author, so accustomed to criticism that reading reviews of her books generally brought on a "quiet nausea," was rendered nearly speechless by Jarrell's generous, yet shrewd apprecia-

The author was Christina Stead and the book, which vaulted briefly to the best-seller lists on its second appearance. was "The Man Who Loved

WHAT THEY'RE READING

• Sidney Altman, winner of the Nobel Prize for chemistry in 1989, is reading "Pnin" by Vladimir Nabokov.

"I find it a very interesting, humorous, nostalgic book. It portrays a Russian émigré. Some of it must be autobiographical. It has terrific insight into the mores of Americans." (Ilise Gersten, IHT)



est and most searing novel about family life written in English. Its belated success proved a turning point for Stead's literary reputation, if

not for her output. "The Man Who Loved Children" is still the best known of her books and the measure of fame it brought Stead has guaranteed a continuing, low-key buzz of interest in all her novels

ever since.

Children," probably the funni- came too late. Stead wrote unstoppably for 15 years after The Man Who Loved Children" sank out of sight in 1940. but even she admitted that Jarrell may have been right in his lianness" unfortunately cut two judgment that rejection and ne- ways. When Stead set out to glect made it her last, possibly her only, masterpiece.

Hazel Rowley's book is life was. She was born in Syd-Yet perhaps the acclaim nently until 1974, just nine ton and Baltimore.

years before her death at the age of 80.

In the intervening decades, Stead and her companion (lat-William J. Blake, sojourned restlessly between England, Europe and the United States, putting down shallow roots here and there, in Paris, London, Greenwich Village, pre-civil war Spain.

All Stead's novels were written, as Australians used to say, "overseas." This was to cause problems for her in her own country: Australian publishers issued none of her books until 1965 and then showed interest only in the two with local content, "Seven Poor Men of Sydney" and "For Love Alone." The problem of her "Austra-

imaginatively recreate her own troubled childhood in "The Man Who Loved Children," Sisprawling because Stead's own mon & Schuster insisted on an American setting, which is the ney, in 1902, left for England in reason turn-of-the-century Syd-1928, and didn't return permanery appears as 1930s Washing-

Despite Stead's meticulous mother died when she was 2, local research, there were, inev- her clever, handsome father. itably, some American critics tormented her for her plainness who found fault: "Though and clumsiness, her stepmother er, husband), the Marxist writer there is a compulsive circum-

In fact, readers of Stead's

books are more likely than not to have been overwhelmed precisely by their "sense of reality." The daughter of a naturalist, Stead seemed to have imbibed her father's habit of observation, along with the naturalist's professional indifference to moral judgment. Combined with her near-Joycean gift for reproducing the idiosyncrasies of people's speech, this spectator's stance gave Stead's novels the density, the illusion of objectivity, of the great 19th-century realists she so admired: Balzac, Flaubert, Zola, Tolstoy, Gorky.

The best thing in Rowley's book is the warts-and-all portrait of Christina Stead herself. Nothing could be sadder than Times in Tokyo, wrote this for the story of her childhood: Her The Washington Post.

favored her own six children. stantiality of detail in the book," sniffed Mary McCarthy. "the sense of reality is feeble." Nothing sadder, perhaps, except Stead's own callous treatment of her "true companion," the devoted Bill Blake, who left his wife and daughter for her but who was repaid over the years by the spectacle of her fevered crushes on other men and her fractious neglect when

he was dying of stomach cancer. "Bill knows he is taking all my time and energy," she wrote cruelly, "but his own need is greater than his conscience."

That was probably truer of Stead herself. Yet one closes Rowley's long, exhaustively researched, impeccably fair biography regretting the incomprehension that embittered, and in the end silenced, the voice of this true literary original.

Elizabeth Ward, an Australian-born editor with the Japan

# BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott O NE top-ranked American team was eliminated at the NEC World Championships while others made astonishing

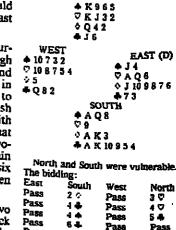
In the Rosenblum Open Teams contest the star team of James Cayne, Chuck Burger, Mike Passell, Mark Lair, Bob Goldman and Paul Soloway seemed well placed, but could only score 47 percent in its last three matches and fell short.

An unheralded Irish foursome of Tom Hanlon, Hugh ♦ 10 7 3 2 McGann, Paddy Walsh and 0 10 8 7 5 4 Rory Timlin finished first in +982 their section, thanks in part to the diagramed deal. Walsh opened the South hand with two diamonds, a Multi bid that showed either way a weak twobid in a major suit or certain strong hands. He landed in six clubs, which would have been defeated by a heart lead.

But West led the spade two and South captured the jack with the ace. He then played the ace and king of clubs, hoping the

queen would fall. When this failed, he continued spades by cashing the queen and finessing the nine. He then disposed of his losing heart on the spade king and made his slam.

In the replay, South failed in the same contract and the Irish team gained four imps.



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### O P I N I O N

# Raoul Ceda The Appalling Public Fall The House of Windsor

By William Pfaff

I man deliberately, if unwittingly, destroy his public reputation. Prince Charles has probably also destroyed the British monarchy, but only be-cause he has submitted to the logic of a decision made by his parents and their advisers.

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The prince's collaboration in a biography which provides a whining and self-pitying account of the misfortunes life has dealt him - heir to possibly the world's greatest private fortune as well as to the throne of Britain — is an appalling affair.

His mother, he says, was distant, his father tough and unsympathetic, his sister the favored child, and the other boys at his school builies. He was sensitive and misunderstood. He married the wrong woman be-cause his father told him to make up his mind and either leave the girl or wed her. He claims society's sympa-July for his plight. He is a victim.
He is a sad spectacle.

That the monarchy can survive the derision and contempt engendered by the conduct and egoism of Charles and Andrew and their ill-chosen spouses is unlikely because this gen-eration of Windsors has abandoned the sacral role of monarchy, without apparently understanding the significance of their decision.

It is this abandonment, not Charles's conduct, which is the crucial weakness in their position. Monarchy is a phenomenon of ear-

liest society. In the Mediterranean, the earliest form of civilized political society seems to have been the cityempire niled by a god-king, as in Mesopotamia and Egypt. After imperial Rome's collapse, a new Chris-

PARIS—It is frightening to see a tian emperor for the West was man deliberately, if unwittingly, anointed by the Pope. This emperor was to be God's instrument in the political governance of God's people.
Thus the subsequent claim by Eu-

rope's dynastic families that monarchy was divinely instituted, and that monarchs possessed "divine right" and a form of priestly power. The bishops of the Church of England have always consecrated the kings and queens of England with holy oils at their coronation, and an equivalent ceremony takes place in nearly all other monarchies.

The sacral function of the monarch was in the past held to be what the theologians called "ex opere operato" (from the work wrought), meaning that its validity was not subject to the personal merits of the monarch. The legitimacy of the mo-narchical succession continued, whatever the crimes of individual monarchs. Sovereignty lay in legiti-mate succession. (This is why in British law adultery with the prince-heir's spouse is high treason. If Britain today were a serious country, the pathetic Captain James Hewitt would have to be hanged.)

Britain has known more bad or indifferent kings than meritorious ones. The British public has always known about their kings' adulteries, and in pre-Victorian times cheerfully derided and mocked them. Since Victoria's Puritan regime, the love affairs of Edward VII and of Charles's granduncle, briefly Edward VIII before his abdication, were never secrets, even if the press did not write about them. It was generally understood that a good king could be a bad man, and that



wen a bad king was a real king, inheritor of the nation's sovereignty. This generation of Windsors, with the help of press, television and public relations counselors, decided that the monarchy could no longer stand on the old principles. They have set out to modernize and re-establish their claim to the monarchy on the ground that they deserve to be queens and kings because they are a family of nice, likable, hardworking

Queen Elizabeth, that nice, hardworking Philip. And there, unfortunately for the Windsors, it stopped. Theirs was a fatal choice. No monarchy can survive on personal popularity, least of all today, with the hounds of both scandal and celebrity press baying after its members. The monarchs of Denmark, Sweden, the

people holding a public trust - the

Good Queen Mum, Our Dear

rest their claim to their crowns on their niceness. They go about their duties, live unassumingly and are conscious of their sacral roles; and of certain to survive. The latter three all have gone through tricky periods in recent years.

A symbol of the Windsors' confusion was Prince Charles's own expressed wish, in a television interview earlier this year, that instead of being crowned as "Defender of the Faith" he would prefer to be "Defender of Faith." Faith? Faith in what? He obviously said this out of a muddled consciousness that Christianity is a shrunken force in secularized Britain today, and that many of his believing subjects are Muslim or Hindu. "Faith" undoubtedly seemed to him an inoffensive, ecumenical and politically correct substi-Netherlands, Belgium and Spain may tution for "the Faith," and could all be nice people, but they do not probably be extended to include

"faith" in the virtues of good citizenship, so that no one was left out.

Does anybody care about all this? Obviously the British do. But course they, too, are by no means they must ask themselves what they want in a monarch. The monarchy is embedded in the nation's history and political civilization. When

have to court personal popularity. They have decided that the British king. If this really is true, the monar-chy is finished, whether the Windsors

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kings ceased to be feared and obeyed, the British monarchy had to make itself respected, which it did, without its members necessarily becoming liked, but at a time when most people had no way of knowing whether they were likable.

Now they have decided that they people will not accept an unlikable realize it or not. The public reaction to Charles's book suggests it is true.

Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

# A Politically Correct Story By an Evil Caged Writer

By Brad Spurgeon

Gypsies neglect their children. Animals should be locked up in cages. Black people are ventrilo-

quists' dummies. Now that I've got that off my chest, I feel I can tell you about the children's story I was asked to write for a start-up publishing company, and what it all has to do with the provocative statements above.

After I completed the story, I had it approved by several readers close to me before I sent it to the publish-

### MEANWHILE

er. The publisher lauded my accomplishment in fulsome terms. Everyone loved my children's storv.

Then the trouble started. Over several months the publisher called me up periodically with criticisms: "I just spoke with so and so of a Very Big Publishing House, and he said, There are 60,000 public libraries in the U.S. You understand? 60,000 potential sales for the book. And not one of those libraries will buy your

book if it depicts animals in cages." I said, "I take the animals out of the cages, I got no story anymore."

But I wrote around the problem. He called again: "We just love it. But don't describe the ventriloquist's dummy's hair as an Afro. You're being offensive to blacks. You're saying all black people are ventriloquist's dummies.'

Well. Never mind that the dummy of the story is based on my own reallife ventriloquist's dummy, which I have had for 20 years and which I designed with an Afro because I loved Jimi Hendrix and black people to the point that I wanted to fantasize that I, too, could be black. So I put an Afro on my dummy, though he is not black. No black person has ever complained.

The Gypsy girl? The publisher had wanted it to be a multicultural story. The Gypsy girl was a natural. I wrote that she ran away from her family and joined the circus. When I got the phone call on that one, my friend's voice hinted that he had been let down by my moral turpitude. "If the Gypsy girl ran away from her parents, her parents would go out and find her." Did I say that they didn't try? How many children are reported missing, all races combined, and nev-

er found again?
Stepdad, huh? O.K., children's fiction is too full of evil stepdads. But sometimes those old cliches

have a reason for being there.
I wanted the central boy character of the story, who was born into a

PARIS — Stepfathers are evil. circus family, to fear the circus owner, who is truly evil. It's a traditional family circus, but I didn't want the owner to be the boy's father. I wanted my child reader to identify with the boy, and assumed it would be easier to fear an evil stepdad than an evil natural father. How dare I. The boy gets punished by the step-

dad. Locked in an animal's cage for apparently letting the animals out. "Why do you have to punish the boy at all? Maybe he could be sent to his room." The hint was that my story might offend the Society for Prevention of Punishment of Kids. My response was, "If this kid is to take the initiative to solve the mystery of who is really the guilty party, then the kid has to have a good motive for doing so. What better motivation than to

stop being corporally punished?"

I was asked to write a classic mystery story. That meant there had to be a mystery. For children I didn't want blood and guts. So I tried to find the most innocent, least harmful sort of mystery that could happen in a circus. The way: Someone is letting the animals out of their cages

and the kid is wrongly blamed.

So we're back full circle to the animals, and the truth comes out: 'No animals in cages, please! We know this is reality you're describing, but we want to make a profit, Look, friend, we don't really care about the animals. If you want to know, we're worried we won't sell enough books. So don't take it personally.

Is this what they mean by the hypocrisy of those who practice political correctness? But, heavens, I do hope I have not offended anyone in saying all this.

Which brings me to the final in-

sult. When, like a true professional, I had tried to improve my story by rewriting the sensitive areas, I said to the publisher, "I cannot make any more changes without destroying the story." His insult was: "Don't worry, friend, I won't be asking for more changes. I can't imagine any-body being offended by anything in your story now."
Yeah. Like who can be offended

by a meat loaf, right?

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# A Wider, Stronger Europe

Regarding "Doing Right by Poland" (Opinion, Oct. 13):

The West's most important interest is to cooperate across the Continent, all the way to Russia, so as to avoid Europe's redivision into an East and a West. Close cooperation between Europe and the United States must remain the mainstay of international security.

It would help if an American were appointed secretary-general of NATO and a European its commander in chief. This could pave the way for French military reintegration and for a common European security, policy on the basis of full

NATO participation by Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic.

America might accept the membership of those countries if military responsibility in Europe were placed more or less on European shoulders. NATO should be deliberately expanded, not as an anti-Russian alliance, but as a zone of stability for European states.

It is in the vital interest of the democracies to support freedom and democracy on the Continent and even to defend it. When Warsaw, Budapest and Prague are in danger, the fate of freedom on the Continent is at stake with them.

> STANLEY STEIN. New York.

### A Right to Health Care

Regarding the report "In Health Care Melodrama, Villains Are Many" (Sept. 28) by Robin Toner:

Whatever one thinks of the role of big government, it would be ludicrous, for example, to privatize national defense. If private companies, cities and states had their own air forces, armored divisions and navies, not only would it drain their treasuries, it would be a prescription for anarchy.

Certain functions, including the protection of one's country from foreign invaders, simply have to be undertaken as part of a national

consensus. No authority other than the federal government is capable of enforcing that consensus.

The same conditions apply to health care. Nationwide vaccinations are required to fight off viruses and bacteria; universal pre- and postnatal care is required to ensure the health of the populace. A sick person bankrupted by medical bills has lost his freedom just as much as a citizen living under the yoke of foreign occupiers.

If the United States cannot ensure

the physical well-being of its citizens, then it has lost touch with its original purpose.

LARRY SHAPIRO. Capri, Italy.

### Demilitarize Haiti

The root of Haiti's problem is its army. It consumes what little there is of the economy, it sidetracks considerable amounts of badly needed human talent to unproductive and sometimes illegal ends, and it amounts to an ungovernable state within the state.

Yet it serves no positive purpose because Haiti has no known enemies. Haiti does not need an army. Surely it should not be beyond the wit of the United States or the United Nations to guarantee the frontiers of Haiti.

> NORMAN SANDERS. Drammen, Norway.

# **GENERAL NEWS**

# China Stonewalls Perry on Human Rights

WUHAN, China - Defense crushed the Tiananmen Square Secretary William J. Perry broke no new ground on human rights on Wednesday in talks with President Jiang Zemin of China despite a clear warming of China-U.S. military and po-

Mr. Perry left late Wednesday for Manila for a brief stay before going to Seoul and Tokyo for talks on a new agree-ment between U.S. and North Korean negotiators on Pyong-

yang's nuclear program. Earlier in China, Mr. Perry described his hourlong meeting with Mr. Jiang, who also heads the influential Central Military Commission, as "warm and very positive.
"We had an exchange on hu-

man rights, but we didn't reach any kind of agreement," Mr.

Without giving details, Mr. Perry said he and Mr. Jiang discussed many issues in talks that cautiously rekindled mili-

By John Ward Anderson

and Kamran Khan Washington Past Service KARACHI, Pakistan — It was sup-

posed to be a simple photo-op. Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto appeared at an

ambulance station here to show empathy with the beleaguered citizens of Karachi.

where dozens of people have been killed in recent political and religious violence

and where monsoon rains have washed

away roads, leaving electric, water and

Suddenly, Miss Bhutto turned to an

employee of the private ambulance com-

pany, one of the few services that work in

the city, and proclaimed him the new

elected government has been jailed or

gone underground over the last two

sewage service a shambles.

in 1989 after Chinese troops pro-democracy protests.

But Mr. Jiang delivered a standard rebuff when Mr. Perry voiced U.S. concerns over human rights, saying China had embarked on an independent course of democratic centralism and had "many people to feed and clothe," the defense official

Mr. Jiang praised Washing-ton for a fresh accord with North Korea under which Beijing's Stalinist ally pledged to replace a nuclear energy program suspected of being weapons-related with safer civilian technology.

Beijing maintains that the 'subsistence rights" of food, shelter and employment take precedence over political and civil rights, which it says will evolve in due course.

Mr. Perry's four-day visit also included discussions with military leaders. U.S. officials stressed that transfers of arms tary ties, frozen by Washington or military technology to China

were not discussed during his stay, and were not part of President Bill Clinton's "constructive engagement" policy toward

But the two militaries agreed military strategy, budgets and broad planning from next nal, his wife said.

Mr. Perry also offered to share technology to simulate nuclear explosions on computers, hoping to persuade Beijing to curb its underground testing program. He did not say if the Chinese accepted the offer. (Reuters, AFP)

### ■ Chinese Released

A labor activist has been released nearly five months after the police took him from his home, The Associated Press reported Wednesday from Beij-

ing, quoting his wife. Liu Nianchun, who helped found the League for the Proing People in February, was released after being held under tion 10 days ago.

police guard in Beijing, said his wife, Chu Hailan. Mr. Liu was picked up on May 28 because of his labor activism, but that police told him when he was released that to hold regular consultations on his actions had not gone far enough to be considered crimi-

### Austrian Rightist Plans To Rename His Party

VIENNA — The Austrian far-right leader Jörg Haider, enjoying a big general-election boost, said Wednesday that he wanted to change the name of his Freedom Party to "Citizens Alliance 1998" - the year of the election he hopes will bring

him to power. Mr. Haider was speaking at a news conference in Vienna to publicize changes he has made found the League for the Pro-in the party organization. He tection of the Rights of Work-led the Freedom Party to a gain of 14 seats in the general elec-

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The man handpicked to solve the seemingly insurmountable problems of one of the world's largest cities is Fahimuzzaman Khan, an ambulance helicopter pilot. His qualifications? During the elections last fall, Mr. Khan, 33, a Bhutto loyalist, appropriated the ambulance seraround the country.

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vice's helicopter to ferry Miss Bhutto "One would expect an elected govern-ment to run a megalopolis like Karachi through elected representatives, and not through a helicopter pilot," said M. Ya-sin Lakhani, president of the Karachi

stock exchange. "He may be good at flying a helicopter, but managing the largest city of the country is serious busi-

In Karachi's Political Void, Chaos Rules

"His performance has been pretty good," countered a Bhutto spokesman, Husain Haqqani. "He's as qualified as anybody who would be able to get elect-

In the current political vacuum, politi-cal, religious and criminal gangs — with huge arsenals left over from the Afghan war — are engaged in a deadly battle for control of Karachi, a city of 10 million people that used to be Pakistan's capital and now is the country's economic engine, generating about half the federal government's revenue. administrator of Karachi, whose entire

More than 40 Karachi police officers have been killed in street violence this year, and more than 70 political activists have been killed. Rooftop snipers assassinate political foes; armed gangs steal a dozen cars a day at gunpoint; Sunni Muslim militants supported by Saudi Arabia and Shiite Muslim extremists backed by Iran have attacked each other's buses and mosques.

Aggravating the lawlessness is the rapid collapse of Karachi's aged infrastructure, already overtaxed by a population that is increasing by 400,000 a year. Monsoon floods in the summer destroyed roads and killed 55 people, 40 of whom were electrocuted by downed since May 1992.

power lines. Electrical outages left neighborhoods sweltering in the dark for weeks and devastated local industries; water and sewer problems bred epidem-The appointment of the helicopter pi-

lot as city administrator underscores the continuing feudal nature of politics in Pakistan, where despite relatively untainted recent elections, democracy is still struggling to take hold. It also illus-trates the clash in parts of Pakistan between rural, indigenous ethnic groups such as the Sindhis, represented by Miss Bhutto - and booming urban centers, where the vast majority of people are Muslims who immigrated here from India during partition.

These Urdu-speaking immigrants,

who call themselves muhajirs, formed

their own political party - the Muhajir National Movement - in 1985; now, it typically captures about three-quarters of the vote in Karachi. But Pakistan's army and leading political parties, shut out of power in the country's most important city, have accused the Muhajir arty of being rife with criminals. Over the last two years, most of its leaders including Karachi's mayor and members of the City Council - have been arrested or gone into hiding, effectively dissolving the local government. The city has been under occupation by 30,000 army troops

# Technology Shares Spark Big Board

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — The stock market rose Wednesday, supported by strong earnings, particularly in blue-chip and technology issues and by the narrower U.S. trade delicit.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed 18.50 points higher, at 3,936.04. Advancing is-

### U.S. Stocks

sues led decliners by about 11 to 9 on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume totaled 316.7 million shares.

Ralph Acampora, director of technical research at Prudential Securities, said the gains were concentrated in blue-chip issues, which are more heavily weighted in international companies. They got a boost from news that the U.S. trade deficit had narrowed in August and that imports and exports had

The 30-year Treasury bond ended down 7/32, at 95 17/32, for a yield of 7.88 percent, up from 7.87 percent on Tuesday. The Dow industrials, on the

seventh anniversary of the average's largest point drop in history, were led higher by shares of Aluminum Co. of America, International Business Machines

and Walt Disney. The most active issue was Compaq Computer, which along with Johnson & Johnson and MCI Communications reported profits that beat Wall Street forecasts.

"The stock market is still trying to digest earnings, which have been great," said Gail Dudack, market strategist at S.G. Warburg & Co. "But there are questions as to whether we will carry that momentum into

IBM rose on optimism about the computer maker's earnings, which are due Thursday. Mercantile Stores rose on

news it might be bought by Dillard Department Stores. Snap-On, the industrial and:

mechanical tool company, reported third-quarter earnings of 53 cents a share, compared with 48 cents a year ago, but the Amgen, a drug maker, and

Zenith Electronics, a maker of furniture and home appliances. jumped on higher earnings. Adaptec rose after the semiconductor maker's secondquarter earnings climbed higher

(AP, Bloomberg)

# U.S. Deficit With Japan **Jolts a Fragile Dollar**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
NEW YORK — The dollar fell to a three-month low against the yen Wednesday after a re-port showed that the U.S. trade. deficit with Japan had swollen 2.4 percent in August.

The U.S. unit slipped to 1.5014 Deutsche marks in late

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trading from 1.5021 DM on Tuesday and eased to 97.25 yen from 97.725 yen.

"The widening trade gap with Japan was disconcerting," buy the currency to break its fall although traders said they said Charles Spence, director of currency sales at Standard Chartered Bank in New York. He said the dollar would probably set new postwar lows this

The U.S. trade deficit with Japan widened to \$5.8 billion in August, the third-biggest on re-cord, from \$5.7 billion a month earlier. U.S. imports of Japanese merchandise rose to a record \$10.7 billion.

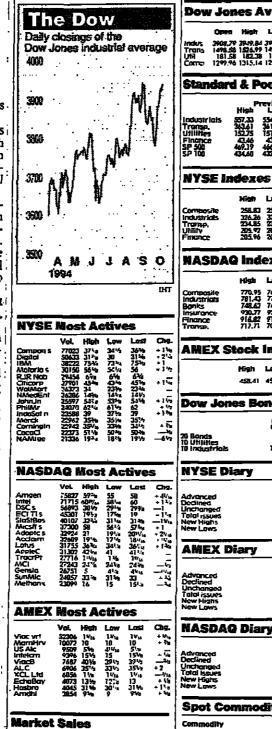
"For me the key thing is the trend of rising imports," said Brian Martin, economist at Citibank. "Consumption in the economy is still very strong."

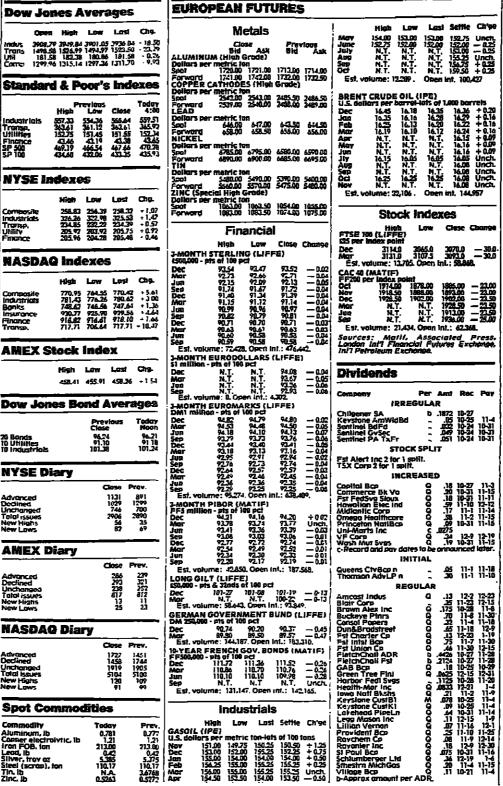
The dollar fared somewhat better against European currencies, as the U.S. trade deficit with the world as a whole shrank 13 percent to \$9.7 billion in August. The U.S. deficit with the European Union narrowed 32 percent.

The dollar rose from the day's lows amid speculation fall, although traders said they saw no evidence the Fed was buying. The Bank of Japan bought dollars for yen in Asia, traders in Tokyo said.

The dollar drifted down to 5.1475 French francs in late trading Wednesday from 5.1535 francs Tuesday and to 1.2453 Swiss francs from 1.2467 francs. The pound strengthened

to \$1.6225 from \$1.6130. (Bloomberg, Reuters, AFP)





# BCCI: Former Executive Jailed in U.S. for 8 Years in Bank Fraud Case

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actions had caused losses of \$255 million to regulators and several U.S. banks.

Mr. Naqvi's attorneys and so his ability to pay the restitution is in doubt.

ceived credit for nearly three corporate insiders and from

years in custody in Abu Dhabi wildly speculative trading. and in the United States while he awaited trial, bringing his total term to a little over eight years.

Putting Mr. Naqvi behind federal presentencing reports bars in the United States is a describe the banker as destitute, significant victory in the troubled federal investigation of BCCI. The bank was shut down Mr. Naqvi was technically by regulators July 5, 1991, after sentenced to a term of 11 years auditors' reports revealed masand three months. But he re- sive losses from illegal loans to

Prosecutors say Mr. Naqvi was intimately involved with BCCI's secret infiltration of four U.S. banks, including the former First American Bankshares Inc., once the largest bank in Washington.

The disclosure that BCCI had secretly gained control of First American led the bank's chairman, former Defense Secretary Clark M. Clifford, and its president, Robert A. Altman, to step down and face trial.

# U.S./AT THE CLOSE

# Viacom to Sell Cable Operations

WASHINGTON - Sumner M. Redstone, chairman of Viacom Inc. said Wednesday the company expected to sell its cable systems to InterMedia Partners L.P., a group led by Tele-Communications Inc. He also said Viacom would not purchase a televi-

The sale, which Mr. Redstone estimated would bring in more sion network. than \$2.0 billion, would help reduce the debt Viacom took on to buy Paramount Communications Inc. Mr. Redstone said the cable industry was "subject to an onslaught of competition from

the telephone industry. Mr. Redstone also said he had no plans to add a major TV network to his media empire, which includes MTV, Blockbuster Entertainment Corp., and the publisher Simon and Schuster as well as Paramount.

# **Defense Companies Report Earnings**

CHICAGO (Combined Dispatches) — McDonnell Douglas Corp. and General Dynamics reported positive third-quarter earnings on Wednesday, while Northrop Grumman Corp.'s report was not well-received. Both General Dynamics and Mcdonnell reported health gains in their military equipment operations.

• General Dynamics earned \$54 million on revenue of \$714, million. A year earlier, profits before a \$24 million gain totaled \$49 million on sales of \$776 million. The company's stock rose 12.5 cents to \$44.125.

 McDonnell Douglas said its net profit rose 13 percent to \$161 million. Sales rose I percent to \$3.46 billion. The company's military aeronautics division had a record quarter with an operating profit of \$182 million. McDonnell stock rose \$3.375 to \$126.375.

 Northrop Grumman, formed by Northrop Corp.'s purchase of Grumman Corp. and Vought Aircraft Co. this year, had thirdquarter net income of \$39 million. That was below analysts' expectations, and the company's stock fell 25 cents to \$45.75. (AP, AFP, Bloomberg)

# **Better Margins Increase MCI Profit**

WASHINGTON (Bloomberg) — MCI Communications Corp. said Wednesday its third-quarter net income rose 26 percent, as wider profit margins offset a slowdown in phone traffic growth. Net income at the second-largest provider of long-distance phone services rose 26 percent to \$220 million. Revenue rose 12 percent to \$3.41 billion. MCI stock fell 32.25 cents to \$24.5625. Meanwhile, AT&T asked the Federal Communications Commission to bar MCI from providing a new service which lets callers get the phone number of a resident or business anywhere in the world by dialing an 800 number. AT&T alleged that federal laws prohibit companies from charging for 800 numbers.

### **Strong Quarter for Phone Firms**

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) - Two regional Bell operating companies and GTE Corp. posted rises in third-quarter profits before special items, as cost-cutting programs took effect and cellular customers increased.

• GTE said profit from operations rose 9.5 percent to \$611 million, paced by a 48 percent increase in cellular subscribers. Revenue rose to \$5 billion from \$4.94 billion. GTE stock rose 12.5 cents to \$30.625.

 Bell Atlantic Corp. posted a 2.8 percent increase in operating profit to \$397.4 million. Revenue rose 3.8 percent to \$3.42 billion. One analyst said Bell Atlantic had made progress in reducing costs in its core business. The company's stock rose \$0.75 ot

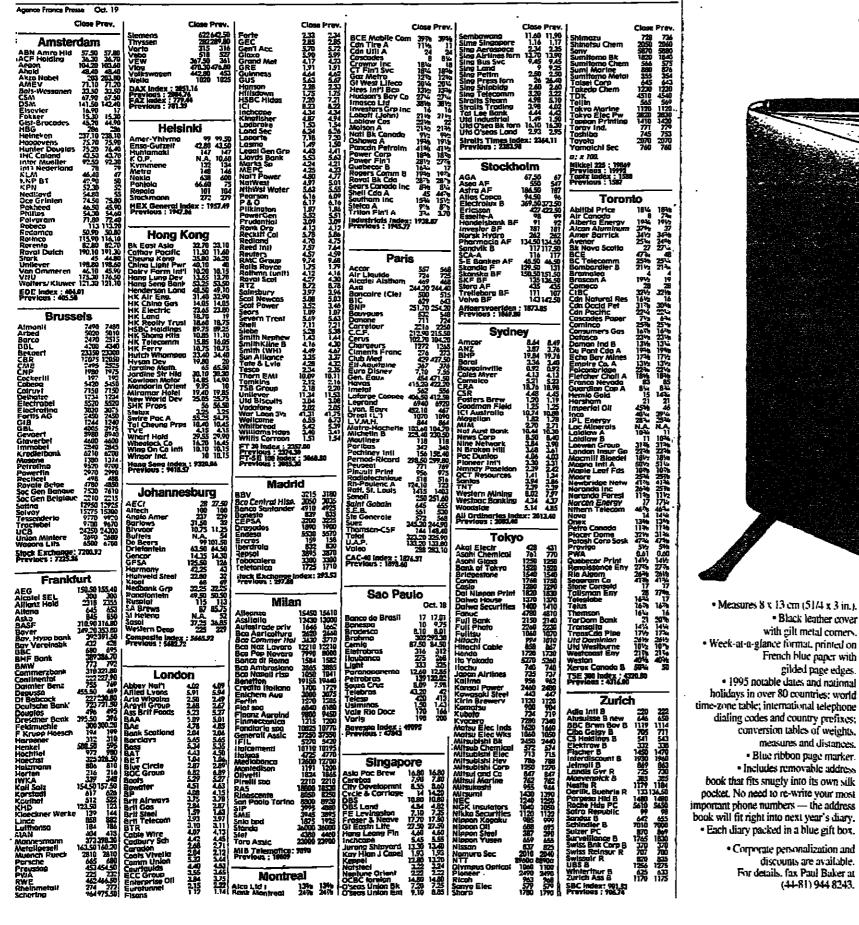
 Pacific Telesis Group said its earnings rose 2.3 percent to \$314 million, paced by cost-cutting at its local phone operations. Operating expenses declined 2.7 percent. Revenue was edged down to \$2.33 billion from \$2.34 billion.

### For the Record

Johnson and Johnson's third-quarter profit rose 16 percent to \$525 million as it cut costs and increased sales to \$4.04 billion from \$3.51 billion. (Knight-Ridder)

A federal judge declared a mistrial in a securities-fraud case brought against Marriott Corp. by bondholders. (Bloomberg)

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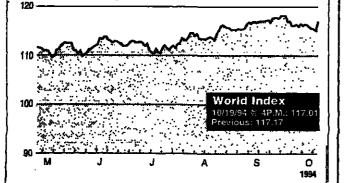
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# Ex-Chief of BCCI Is Sentenced in U.S. to 8 Years

WASHINGTON - A federal judge Wednesday sentenced a former top executive of BCCI to more than eight years in prison and ordered him to pay \$255.4 million in restitution. Swaleh Naqvi, former chief executive of Bank of Credit & Commerce International, received the maximum sentence possible under a plea agreement reached during the summer

with federal prosecutors. The 61-year-old British citizen, a mastermind in one of history's most elaborate frauds, pleaded guilty in July to three counts of bank fraud that involved conspiracy, wire fraud and

[Creditors of BCCI have agreed to accept \$1.8 billion in compensation from Abu Dhabi in a deal to be announced soon, a creditors' spokesman said Wednesday. Reuters reported from London.

[Abu Dhabi, BCCI's majority shareholder, put the money on the table in March after a \$1.7 billion deal was thrown out by a Luxembourg court a year ago.]

Mr. Naqvi faces arraignment this week on separate charges in state court in New York, where the Manhattan District Attorney's Office has aggressively prosecuted the BCCI af-

Mr. Naqvi quietly told U.S. District Judge Joyce Hens Green that he intended to continue to cooperate with prosecutors under the plea agreement. Judge Green, in handing down the sentence, cited Mr. Naqvi's high profile within BCCI and the threat that the bank's activities posed to the integrity of the U.S. banking system.

"Without your leadership, without your continuing crimi-nal activity, the loss wouldn't have been as large," Judge Green told Mr. Naqvi. Losses from the international bank scandal are estimated to exceed \$10 billion, and the Justice Department said it was prepared to prove that Mr. Naqvi's

See BCCI, Page 10

# Results Fire Up Compaq and DEC

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatchet HOUSTON - Compaq Computer Corp. and Digital Equipment Corp. on Wednesday joined the parade of computer companies that have post-ed markedly stronger results recently and buoyed high-technology shares in general.

Compaq, citing strong sales increases worldwide, said that carnings in the third quarter had risen 88 percent, while Digital Equipment managed to sig-nificantly narrow its loss in the quarter ended Oct. 1.

Shares of both companies posted strong gains. Compaq shares rose \$1.125 to \$36.625, and it was one of the most heavily traded shares on the New York Stock Exchange. DEC shares rose \$2.125 to \$31.50.

Compaq said earnings in the third quarter had surged to ny said Wednesday. \$201 million from \$107 million AMR attributed a year earlier as revenue rose 63 percent, to \$2.8 billion.

It said its sales had surged 57 percent in North America and 50 percent in Europe, where Compag surpassed its own projections and market share rose to 14 percent from 12.3 percent in the first half. Sales also more than doubled in the combined Japan, Latin America and Asia-Pacific markets, Compaq said.

But Compaq's gross margin - net sales minus the cost of

from 24 percent a year earlier. as the company cut prices to nervous eye on Compaq's inbuild sales and market share. Chief Financial Officer Daryl White said the company expected to maintain margins at that level despite falling prices.

ny accumulated supplies, including Intel 486 microproceslevel despite falling prices.

Compaq hopes to capitalize sors, which are quickly being on product shortages at rivals International Business Ma- Pentium processor. Compaq re-

chines Corp. and Packard Bell ported Sept. 30 inventory of Electronics Inc. Both have said \$2,3 billion, double the level they will run out of their hot- held last year at that time and

Compiled by Our Staff From Disparches FORT WORTH, Texas -Profit at American Airlines' parent, AMR Corp., rose 74 percent in the third quarter because of lower costs, the compa-

AMR attributed the improvement to economic growth in the United States and abroad. The company also cited the small revenue improvement and a 2.2 percent drop in operating expenses, partly because

of cheaper jet fuel. AMR posted profit of \$205 million, or \$2.47 a share, in the three mouths ended Sept. 30. The company earned \$118 million, or \$1.33 a share, in the third quarter of 1993. The year-earlier results include a \$7 million charge to pay off debt early.

Lower Costs Lift AMR Net Revenue rose less than 1 per-

cent for the period, to \$4.23

Analysts have been keeping a

ventory levels, which more than

doubled this year as the compa-

billion from \$4.19 billion. The results were significantly better than expected, sending AMR's stock \$2 higher, to \$54, on the New York Stock Ex-

Chairman Robert Crandall said the company was "heartened by these improved results" but said American still needed to cut costs.

also is in contract negotiations with its pilots' union and bindflight attendants' union.

(AP, Bloomberg)

goods sold — declined to 23 test-selling products as they go up almost \$60 million from the percent in the third quarter into the Christmas season.

But Mr. White said that the inventory build-up had been a good idea in view of the com-

petitive situation. "We took a risk on inventories because we saw a market demand that appeared to be stronger than others were seeing," he said. "We're able to ing," he said. "We're able to take advantage now of strong market demand because of the

position we took." Antoine Tristani, an analyst with Southcoast Capital, said, Compaq's gamble appeared to be wise and that it was "positioned well for the fourth quar-

At Digital Equipment, meanwhile, the loss narrowed to \$131 million in its first financial quarter because of reduced costs, the company said. The company's loss was \$154 million a year earlier.

The performance was the first sign of a payoff from the job cuts and other restructuring efforts that the company accelerated this summer.

The computer maker's revenue rose nearly 4 percent, to \$3.12 billion, in the quarter,

"While we are not satisfied American is in the midst of a with any loss, the current quarplan to reduce costs by \$1 bil- ter's results contain many enlion, with \$750 million of that couraging signs that give us coming from labor. The airline confidence in our current plan to move the company toward its objective of sustained profiting contract arbitration with its ability," said Robert B. Palmer, DEC's president.

(Bloomberg, AP, Reuters)

# **EU Seeks to Cut Cost and Time of Bank Transfers**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

BRUSSELS - The European Commission has proposed requiring banks to cut the fees they charge and the time they take to transfer money across national borders.

The European Union executive wants to impose a time limit of five working days for money to move from one bank to another in a different country. It also wants to forbid the existing practice in which banks at both ends of the transaction charge the consumer. ,

The move follows a commissionsponsored survey published this month

that showed EU banks kept more than a economic sector to develop through required to keep pledges to consumers quarter of every 100 European currency market forces rather than legislation," units (\$120) transferred from one EU she said. Of the 31 billion payments country to another. The average fee charged for an urgent transfer, excluding foreign exchange margins, was 22.39 Ecus. The average fees charged for nonurgent transfers was 19.80 Ecus.

"We are quite disappointed at the commission's decision to propose a directive," said Diane Iannucci, who is responsible for payment systems at the European Banking Federation, an industry trade group.

"We believe it is far healthier for an

ued at 170 million Ecus a year, are money into an individual account. expected to triple by the year 2000.

Tightening the rules is necessary, said Single Market Commissioner Vanni d'Archirafi, because small businesses are suffering as a result and existing banking practices offset the beneficial effects of the EU's single market.

Under the proposals, banks would be

on the amount of time needed to transfer money. If they did not set their own made by EU banks every year, she said. deadlines, banks would have to move a only 30 million are cross-border. How- consumer's money to a bank in another ever, according to the commission, such country within five working days and transfers within the EU, currently val- would have an additional day to put the

If the banks failed to meet the deadline, they would have to pay interest charges to consumers. Double-charging would be prohibited, and consumers would only pay a fee to the bank sending the money to another country.

(Bloomberg, AP)

# INTERNATIONAL MANAGER

# **Euro Disney Throws the Book Away**

By Barry James nal Herold Tribune

MARNE-LA-VALLEE, France -What do you do when you are in trouble and you don't know what do do? That's right. You Give a Little Whistle! The financial skies may be grey over

Euro Disney, the attendance figures may or may not be a disappointment. But management is taking a bit of home-grown advice from Jiminy Cricket and remaining optimistic despite every ca-lamity the wicked witch can throw at it. To shield "cast members" from the

financial storm, Philippe Bourguignon, chairman of Euro Disney SCA, said "we broke the company into two pieces." To avoid anything getting in the way of show business. "I even held financial negotiations in the room next to my office," he said.

Mr. Bourguignon realized that customers want the same kind of Disney experience as at Disney parks in the United States, but at the same time he is eliminating some of Disney's by-thebook management rules to give "cast members" more responsibility and au-

"The product should be like the Disney product everywhere else, but the way we manage should be European," he

Throughout the crisis, the theme park has continued to grow and improve. Next year, Mr. Bourguignon plans to

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inaugurate a major attraction called Space Mountain. A Saudi Prince, Walid ibn Talal ibn

Abdulaziz, promised to finance a convention center, which the park badly needs to fill empty hotel rooms during the winter.

High-speed trains will soon be arriving directly from Britain, a major market. through the Channel tunnel, delivering

"No amount of adversity or difficulty can take away the fact that this is really a fun place to run."

Philippe Bourguignou, chairman of Euro Disney SCA

customers to the door. Mr. Bourguignon says he has no reason to revise his prediction that the park will show an operating profit in 1996.

Nevertheless, market analysts expect more bad news when Euro Disney announces its financial results next month. Euro Disney shares slumped a little further recently after a French magazine reported that visitor attendance in 1994 was likely to be down to 8.2 million from 9.8 million. Euro Disney shares fell to 7.10 francs (\$1.39) Wednesday, from

The company said that the report had no basis in reality but would not give its own figures before the annual meeting. The market is eagerly waiting to see whether Euro Disney has managed to narrow its losses from the 5.3 billion franc (\$1 billion) deficit reported for its last financial year.

Mr. Bourguignon insists that Euro Disney's long-term plans, including a second theme park, are still intact even if they have been pushed back indefinitely. Like Pinocchio in the belly of the whale, he says he is confident he will

climb out of the crisis one day.
"We would leave if there were no vision, no plan," he said.

"I am managing a toy I've dreamt about managing all my life," Mr. Bour-guignon added. "No amount of adversity or difficulty can take away the fact that this is really a fun place to run."

Steve Burke, Euro Disney's chief oper-

ating officer, said a flood of news reports "trashing" the park had been frustrating because they did not reflect the fact that the morale here is unbelievably high."
He said, "They touch on something of which we are proud, and enthusiastic

A reporter who was present at the opening of the park and visited it again recently found it considerably more relaxed. This perhaps reflects the personality of Mr. Bourguignon, whom associates describes as more friendly and easygoing See DISNEY, Page 11

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# Patchy Road to Reform

By Erik Ipsen

LONDON — An authorita tive study published Wednesday indicated that progress toward economic reform in the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe has been highly uneven

no clear answers" to which were form strategies work best. "We port," the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development tallied achievements in 25 countries, from privation." countries, from privatization to in the economic performance in price liberalization and banking reform. The report showed that while

the private sector in the Czech Republic accounted for 65 percent of the national economy a level equal to that of many Western nations — countries larus had only 15 percent of their economies privatized.

economic reform went to the in output." Czech and Slovak republics. Hungary and Poland.

formers were the best at gaining foreign investment. The report said that of the

\$12 billion in direct foreign in-1990 and 1993, two-thirds went to three countries: the Czech Republic, Slovak Republic and

Hungary. Nick Stern, chief economist for the EBRD, said there were

the region beginning last year. It said that by 1993, most of Eastern Europe and the Baltics had begun to show considerable gains in cutting inflation and getting their economies growing.

The report contrasted that with the performance of former such as Turkmenistan and Be- Soviet republics. With few exceptions, the report said, those countries "continued to experi-The best overall marks for ence high inflation and declines

Russia received high marks for what was called its "spectac-The EBRD, created to bolster economic reform in the region, also said the most successful report said Russia's progress in reducing inflation was endangered by its difficulties in re-

The report said that although vestment in the region between on the face of it, Russian taxes were high, tax exemptions were widespread and tax evasion was rampant

Restructuring the state-owned industrial behemoths that once dominated the economic landscape was also a major problem in the region, according to the report.

As to the EBRD's own performance, Mr. Stern confirmed forecasts that the bank's board probably would approve loans and investments totaling 1.8 billion European currency units (\$2.3 billion) this year.

# Trade Gap In U.S. Shrinks

WASHINGTON

America's foreign trade deficit shrank 13 percent in August despite the fact that Japanese exports to the United States surged to a record high, the government said Wednesday.

The Commerce Department said the U.S. trade deficit in goods and services fell to \$9.74 billion as U.S. exports hit an all-time high, reflecting increases in shipments of commercial aircraft, industrial machinery, computer chips and cigarettes.

The U.S. trade deficit with Japan continued to worsen, widening to \$5.8

Bruce Steinberg, an economist with Merrill Lynch in New York, said the trade gap with Japan should begin to improve in the months ahead.

He said that with Europe and Japan emerging from economic slumps, their growth rates should surpass that of the United States.



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## **Matsushita Bars** Bid by Former Owners of MCA

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TOKYO - Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. said Wednes-day it had turned down a call from the top managers of its U.S. entertainment subsidiary, MCA Inc., to give them back fuller control over MCA.

It is possible, however, that the issue will be discussed further in the near future, said Setsuo Mizoguchi, a spokesman for the Japanese conglomerate. Mr. Mizoguchi said the transfer of fuller managerial as control was proposed by the MCA chairman, Lew R. Wasserman, and President Sidney J. 5% Sheinberg in a 5½-h 5½ With the Matsushit 5½ Yoichi Morishita, Sheinberg in a 51/2-hour meeting with the Matsushita president,

The meeting produced lit-tle," Mr. Mizoguchi said. "Mat-sushita declined to accept the proposal. However, the issue has yet to be resolved, possibly through further meetings in the near future."

Mr. Wasserman and Mr. Sheinberg sold the company to Matsushita in 1990.



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ZURICH — The boand Union Bank of Switzerland said Wednesday it would not allow registered shareholders a separate vote on its plan for a new share structure, but it recognized that a bruising legal battle could result if the new structure was approved.

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Bloome ZURICH — The boand day amid worries that day amid worries that land's largest bank was on the defensive and would be damaged by the showdown with Mr. Ebner. The vote on the new structure is scheduled for Nov.

22.

Chief Executive Robert Studer said investors could expect "a negative period of a couple of months" because of the uncertainty over the conflict.

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Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches HELSINKI - Nokia AB, the Finnish telecommunications company, said Wednesday that net profit rose more than sixfold in the first eight months of the year, to 1.67 billion markkaa (\$361 million) from 269 million markkaa a year earlier, as telecommunications units showed strong

Jorma Ollila, chief of the company, said the outlook for the rest of the year was favorable.

The company said it planned to sell its tire subsidiary and to expand cellular phone production as it continued to shift its focus toward telecommunications. (Bloomberg, Reuters)

Ebner's BZ Group, which controls about 18 percent of Union Bank's registered shares and about 5 percent of its bearer

Mr. Ebner and his lawyer have said BK Vision could challenge the bank in court if it did not call a separate meeting of registered shareholders.

Mr. Studer acknowledged that Mr. Ebner was likely to mount a legal challenge if the share structure was approved. He said he expected, however, that "the courts will make a special effort to get this solution final as soon as possible."

Registered shareholders, who represent 51 percent of the bank's votes and 17.3 percent of its capital, would lose considerable voting power under the plan.

Separately, Mr. Studer said that business at UBS was "certainly better" in the third quarter than in the second quarter. Profit for the full year, however, will be lower than it was last year, he said. Net profit last year surged 69 percent, to 2.27 billion Swiss francs.

# French Uncertainty Chills Investors

ble currency, would be a fine place to park money, were it not for political scandals and an impending presidential election that have combined to create an inhospitable in-

vestment climate. Investors have shown concern by shunning French securities and driving up French bond yields. They are shifting to German investments now that the political picture in Germany has cleared with Helmut Kohl's election vic-

tory Sunday. This all may make it more difficult and more expensive for the French government and companies to borrow, as well as threaten efforts to tighten the budget and dampen the recovery.

"There are many scandals in France right now," said Denis Vallier, deputy treasurer of the French investment fund Alfi Gestion, which has \$5.8 billion under management. "And yes, I'm concerned about the value of my investments here."

The scandals have touched both the government and private industry. Several business leaders have been investigated for bribery, fraud and misuse of company funds, and two top government officials have resigned.

On Friday, Industry Minister Gérard Longuet quit amid allegations of involvement in illicit funding, both for his political party and for his villa at St. Tropez. He has denied the allegations.

Minister Alain Carignon resigned when he became the subject of a judicial investigation. He was jailed last week on charges of "passive corruption," relating to allegations likely candidate of the left.

# PARIS — France, with its low-inflation growth and statement of the first part of the

PARIS - France's public-works contractors are discussing adopting a new code of honor to allay widespread suspicions of corruption, the head of a lobbying group said Wednesday.

Philippe Levaux of the National Public Works Federation told a news conference that four major companies had asked the group to recommend that its member companies go on the record against paying political kickbacks and bribes to offi-

cials to win contracts.

Last week, former Communications Minister Alain Carignon was jailed and Industry Minister Gérard Longuet resigned amid investigations into alleged funding by companies

seeking municipal contracts. Mr. Levaux said representatives of the federation's 6,000 members would discuss at a meeting Friday what sort of code of honor might be acceptable to all of them.

The proposals would then be put forward for approval by the federation's board at the end of November. On Tuesday, officials at major companies said firms would unveil a charter at Wednesday's news conference. But some small companies reportedly had asked for more time to

discuss the idea. Mr. Levaux said four of the industry's "majors" met privately on Oct. 12 and drew up a letter calling for a code, to which about 10 other company heads had added their signatures.

he had benefited improperly from political financing.

Beyond the corruption scandals looms the presiden-tial election scheduled for next spring. President Fran-çois Mitterrand's second seven-year term ends in May. Although Mr. Mitterrand, ill with prostate cancer, has said he wants to complete his term, he admits he may have to quit if his treatment restricts his

ability to perform his duties. Investors tend to want Prime Minister Edouard Balladur, who has not yet officially announced his candidacy, In July, Communications to succeed Mr. Mitterrand. But Mr. Balladur is seen as having been weakened by the scandals, and this is seen as helping Jacques Delors, a former finance minister and the

Mr. Delors's term as president of the European Commission expires in January, and he is considered the Socialists' only chance at hang-

Investors say Mr. Delors. with his record on forging closer European ties, partly through strict adherence to budgetary and monetary targets, also would probably be a safe helmsman for the French economy, but many still prefer what they see as the stability of Mr. Balladur.

ing on to the presidency.

So far, Mr. Balladur's weakness has not improved the ratings of the Gaullist leader, Jacques Chirac, Mr. Balladur's former mentor and his main rival from within the markets view Mr. Chirac, who sonal adjustment.

also has yet to declare his candidacy, with suspicion.

Essentially, investors are concerned that Mr. Chirac lacks the commitment Mr. Balladur and Mr. Delors have to European unity. They say Mr. Chirac might be more likely to reverse efforts to cut the budget deficit, which is forecast to shrink from an estimated 301 billion francs (\$58 billion) this year to 275 billion francs in 1995.

The bottom line for investors is that all the uncertainty has increased the risk in buying French government debt, whose prices could go any-where, depending on the ex-tent of the scandals and outcome of the elections.

Yields on the French gov-criment 10-year bond reflect the unease. The yield has risen from 6.66 percent on May 19 to as high as 8.30 percent on Oct. 5. It ended at 8.05 percent Wednesday.

### ■ Industrial Output Up

French industrial production jumped 2.3 percent in the combined period of July and August from June, according to seasonally adjusted data released Wednesday by the national statistics office INSEE, Reuters reported.

The rise defied private economists' expectations that recovery from 1993's recession would begin to slow in the summer after a vigorous start to the year. The increase took year-on-year growth in French industrial output to a healthy 5.2 percent.

INSEE publishes no separate figures for July or for August, when much of French industry shuts down for summer vacation. Consequently, analysts treat the summer statistics with caution, as they center-right. The financial contain a large element of sea-

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 Statoil AS, the Norwegian oil company, said it had discovered natural gas valued at as much as 40 billion kroner (\$6.1 billion) off the southwest coast of Norway.

 Forte PLC of Britain said it would reorganize its hotels business and put about 80 hotels into a separate operating unit, for which it may seek outside capital.

Safra Republic Holdings, an international private banking group based in Luxembourg, said third-quarter consolidated net income rose 28 percent, to \$38.5 million.

Telefonica SA agreed to sell its 13.24 percent stake in Alcatel Standard Electrica for 22.2 billion Spanish pesetas (\$176 million) back to Alcatel NV, in response to a recommendation from the European Commission.

# GATT Rules Against U.S. on EU Steel Actions

Related Roman , WASHINGTON — A GATT panel has upheld nine of 15 complaints made by the European Union against U.S. anti-dumping and anti-subsidy duties on steel and criticized Washington for violating its trade obligations.

> Separately, the European Commission said Wednesday that it had approved an the trade body's panel said the United Italian decree to grant 790 billion lire States, in imposing the duties last year, had

(\$515 million) lire in state aid for the restructuring of the Bresciani steel companies in northern Italy. The aid consists of 600 billion lire for companies closing units and 190 billion lire for investments to rehire workers.

According to a copy of the ruling by the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade,

gone too far in judging certain European privatizations and debt-forgiveness programs as subsidies.

The panel's ruling is not legally binding. Under the rules of the world trade body, Washington can block adoption of the panel's report, effectively vetoing it. The decision is seen, however, as a good omen for other complaints concerning steel trade lodged by the EU.

## DISNEY: Euro Disney Makes Some Adjustments to its Management Style Continued from Page 9

than his predecessor, Robert

Fitzpatrick. Had the company started out by being too arrogant and too bound by its own rules? Mr. Bourguignon replied: "You

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Mr. Bourguignon conceded that the company misjudged European tastes at first.

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reasonable price."

One small change illustrates Mr. Bourguignon's style. When the park opened, executives confidently predicted that visi-tors would stay in the Disney hotels and perhaps make a side trip to Paris, as if the capital were a sideshow. Mr. Bourgui-

some have been improved and expanded. Lines are shorter as a result, although still a problem on busy days.

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Mr. Bourguignon, who had been responsible for the Euro Disneyland hotels, and Mr. Burke, who ran the Walt Disney gnon, however, has recently stores in the United States, have become, simply, the Philippe

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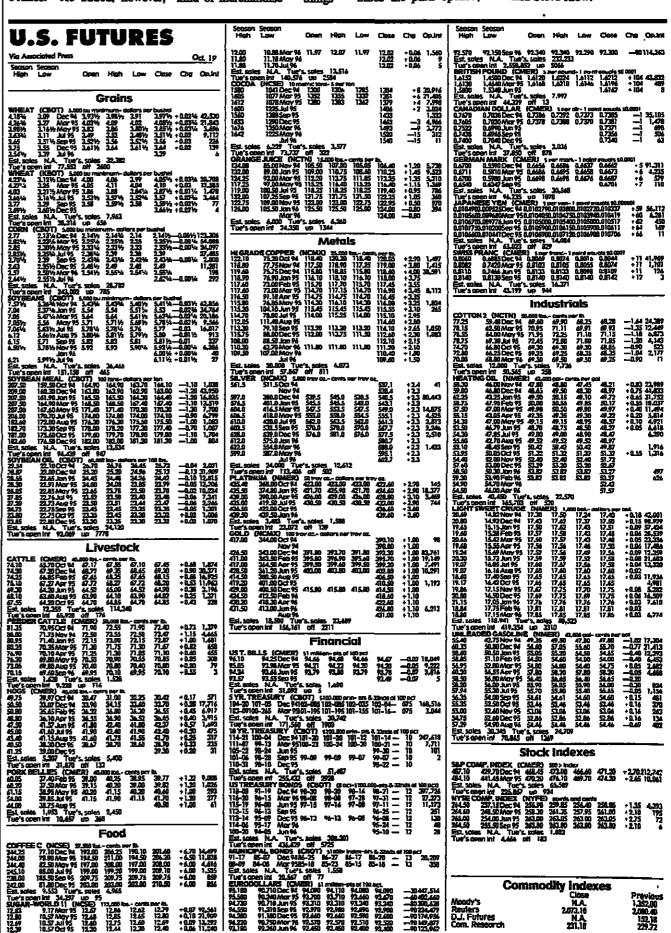
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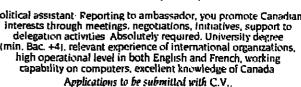
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# NTT Is Willing To Give Local **Access to Rivals**

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NTT's local circuits so they

could start a new type of high-

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of NTT, said negotiations on cost-sharing and other issues were needed before the lines

Mr. Kojima made his an-

nouncement a day after Japan

Telecom requested government

intervention to resolve its 2-year-old dispute with NTT.

Major Japanese newspapers

reported that the dispute

stemmed from NTT's monopo-

ly of the domestic telephone

network. Some said the issue

would support the politically sensitive view that NTT should

be broken up.
[Peter Wolff, a senior analyst
at CS First Boston (Japan) Ltd.
told the International Herald

Tribune that the statement by

NTT marked a retreat under

[He said, however, that while NTT was likely to have to com-

promise on price, Japan Tele-

com would also have to com-

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maintain its monopolistic posi-

tion in the market and is refus-

ing to cut a deal. But the breezes

of deregulation are blowing through Japan," Mr. Wolff said. He added that the extent

to which competition would be

increased depended on what

price NTT would agree to for

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Masashi Kojima, president

for corporate users.

could be connected.

TOKYO - Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corp said Wednesday it was willing to connect its domestic lines with other carriers. When and if an agreement is reached, part of Japan's telecommunications market will be opened to fresh competition.

Since October 1992, three long-distance carriers - Japan Telecom Co., DDI Corp. and Teleway Japan Corp. — have

### Honda Expects To Drop Its Auto Project in China

TOKYO - Honda Motor Co. may scrap a plan to assemble Civic cars in Guangzhou that has been on hold since the Chinese government banned new car projects.

"Officially, it is not canpressure and that its days as an
celed," said Yo Harada, a unassailable monopolist were Honda spokesman, "But numbered. Honda and our Chinese partner believe it will be canceled."

Mr. Harada added that cancellation would not mean that Honda had given up hope of ever making cars in China, potentially the biggest car market in the world. He said, however, that the Japanese maker had no

other current projects there. Honda and Guangzhou Yangcheng Automobile Co. last year set up a 50-50 joint venture to assemble Civic sedans at the Chinese company's

Honda's shares fell 10 yen to close at 1,720 (\$18).

# Asia Bargains for Power **Countries Set Tough Terms in Deals**

By Michael Richardson International Herald Tribune

JAKARTA — Swamped with offers to fill their power-generating needs, Asian countries are demanding better deals and setting tough new terms in negotiating contracts.

Intensifying competition among private producers to start generating electricity projects in Asia is allowing countries to impose tougher entry terms on newcomers, officials said.

The glut of competitors has allowed Indonesia to negotiate tighter terms, and India is considering such a move.

"There is a case now for tightening terms," an Indian official said Wednesday. "The rules of the market will dictate whether and how

much we change."

Gordon Wu, who controls Hopewell Holdings Ltd. of Hong Kong, recently said he put a brake on his activities in China when Beijing, worried about rising inflation and electricity costs, began talking of offering only a 12 percent rate of return, which he said no banker would look at

Electricity generation in Asia has traditionally been the preserve of the state. But government funding constraints and surging de-mand as the region industrializes have prompted many Asian countries to turn to the private sector, both local and foreign.

A recent report by the World Bank estimated that Asia would spend \$277 billion on electric-power expansion in the next five years and that China and India would account for 75 percent of the total. Indonesia is expected to be the third biggest source of new

[On Wednesday, officials here said that British Gas PLC would lead a consortium to build a \$350 million gas-powered plant in West Java along with Bakrie & Brothers PT of Indonesia, a diversified company with inter-

ests in telecomunications and plantations. [Industry sources said the agreement probably would be signed in November after British Gas and Bakrie signed a gas purchasing agreement with Indonesia's state-run oil com-

pany, Pertamina.] So far this year, India has approved seven private power projects. They include one by Enron Corp. of the United States to build a

2,000 megawatt plant near Bombay at a cost A further 35 foreign-investment proposals

for power generation, valued at more than \$21 billion, are awaiting approval by Indian authorities. A. Arismunandar, director-general of In-

donesia's Mines and Energy Department, said Indonesian authorities now could bargain with independent producers who want to sell power to PLN, the Indonesian state

electricity utility.

In doing so, Jakarta will reduce the rate of return to investors below the current 22 percent, compared with the 16 percent offered to private companies in India and the 15 percent aximum in China.

An Indian official, who requested anonimity, said India's benchmark rate of 16 per-

The glut of competitors has allowed for tougher contract negotiations.

cent was more generous than it seemed because it was conditional on the plant being operational for 68.5 percent of the time.

An efficient plant would be in service for more than 80 percent of the time and thus earn a higher rate of return, he said.

China is resisting pressure from investors to improve its terms of private power production, which are considered among the least rewarding in Asia.

But despite such complaints, Beijing says that foreign interest in its power projects

"Currently, there are still more than 10 joint-venture proposals in my office," said Chen Tong Hai, vice minister of China's State

Planning Commission. Power-company executives and bankers said the tightening of terms outlined by Mr. Arismunandar was unlikely to dampen enthusiasm by the private sector for investment

in Indonesian power generation. The head of a large Indonesian group of companies said his power unit had teamed up with British and American firms to negotiate agreements for two major projects under which PLN would buy electricity for the na-

# Indosat Plays Well At Home And Away

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches JAKARTA - Shares in PT Indonesia Satellite Corp. followed up a strong debut in New York with another in Indonesia on Wednesday, rising 21 per-cent from their issue price of 7,000 rupiah (\$3.22).

Indosat shares closed at 8,475 on the Jakarta Stock Exchange. Trading in the stock accounted for 68 percent of the exchange's turnover.

Indosat, Indonesia's stateowned provider of international phone service, offered 10 percent of its shares in Jakarta and 25 percent in New York.

In New York on Tuesday, American depository receipts for shares in Indosat were priced at \$32, traded as high as \$40, and closed at \$37.125. More than 9.1 million ADRs were traded, making it the most active issue on the New York Stock Exchange, Wednesday afternoon, the ADRs were trad-

ing at \$38.00, up 87.5 cents. The interest in Indosat, fund managers said, came in part from buyers eager for a piece of anything from Indonesia. With 180 million people, Indonesia is the fourth most populous country in the world.

"It's been a neglected mar-ket," said Anthony L.T. Cragg, a fund manager at Strong/Corneliuson Management Inc. Mr. Cragg said he had bought more than \$3 million of the stock. "If you're going to go in there, this is a good long-term play.

The showing by Indosat in New York will probably result in more Indonesian companies going public in the U.S., said Linda Killian of Renaissance Capital in Connecticut.



### Very briefly:

• Chrysler Corp. plans a joint venture in Vietnam to assemble and eventually manufacture Jeeps, pickup trucks and other vehicles.

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 Hong Kong's Hang Seng stock index fell 1.05 percent; dealers cited concerns about Beijing's announcement Tuesday that China's annual inflation rate had risen to 27.4 percent in September. • Shandong International Power Development, which was expected to be the third Chinese utility to issue shares in Hong Kong. said it would wait to list its shares until investor confidence in

Chinese power companies improved. • Caterpillar Inc. said its sales in China could rise several times and reach \$500 million by the end of the decade.

 PSA Peugeot Citroën SA of France and Premier Automobiles Ltd. of India said they agreed to establish a joint venture in India to manufacture Peugeot 309 models.

 Taiwan courts have indicted 16 people in a case in which the state-run Bank of Taiwan allegedly sold property at an artificially low price to a group of government officials, the Economic Daily

# Manila Exchange Cancels Peregrine Fine

MANILA — The Philippine Stock Exchange had a U.S. criminal conviction. on Wednesday withdrew a 5 million peso (\$199,000) fine it had imposed on Peregrine

Capital Philippines Ltd. Peregrine Capital, a unit of Peregrine Investments Holdings Inc. of Hong Kong, was fined Friday for incomplete disclosure in a draft prospectus concerning shares in Liberty Telecom that the chairman of Liberty, Raymond Moreno,

The Philippine Stock Exchange board decided to hand the case over to the Philippine Securities and Exchange Commission after Peregrine questioned the exchange's authority to impose the penalty. Brokers said the Peregrine case would lead to "more transparent reporting" on people Holdings Inc. The prospectus failed to disclose whose companies are going public.



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him. "My first reaction, apart from utter panic, was one of denial. My first impulse was to say. Well, this is obviously something that has to do with your work . . . like the CIA told you to do this, some strange sort of operation. I knew that these things happen, that people get sent over ... and he said

"I didn't want to know what it was. I said, 'I don't want you to tell me anything else."

The Russians, he told her, had asked for pictures of her and Paul. "He made it very clear that the Russians were not going to like it that I knew. He suggested very clearly that I was a liability. I was a problem because I wasn't supposed to know. He had told me, so I was in danger, and they had pic-

She says that was one of the main reasons for her "ruinous decision" not to tell anyone. "My panic was that these people know what I look like, what my son looks like," she savs. "I had nightmares in which I dreamt that the Russians are coming after me and Paul. They know what my mother looks like. They know what her name

To understand her predicament that night, it helps to understand how she wound up sitting opposite this man at a table in a restaurant.

As a 30-year-old university teacher of literature, criticism and philosophy, she had lived at

home in Bogotá with her promibia's then-president, she was tive, separated from his wife, 11 At first she didn't believe years older than Rosario and im. "My first reaction, apart working at the U.S. Embassy. They began to date. They shared an interest in the arts. she says, and she found him "cosmopolitan," "cultured."

### 'Very Gentle and Sweet'

"What was compelling about him, for a person like me who is very nervous and high-strung and passionate about things, he was sort of very stable and very quiet and very calm. Very gen-

tle and sweet. They fell in love and he proposed. Only then did he tell her that he was in the CIA. She was shocked, she says. "I would rather have had him be what he appeared to be so magnificently, which was a very cultured, quiet diplomat."

After their engagement, Aldrich Ames left Mexico for Washington, and she followed. They got a small apartment, and she traveled back and forth to Bogotá and Mexico for a while before their marriage on Aug. 3, 1985. Unknown to her. he had begun working for the Russians that March.

It was right after he started with the Soviets and before their marriage, she says, that he explained his finances to her. He had an old friend, Robert from Chicago, he told her, with whom he had made some investments. Robert had done very well. She thought nothing of it, she says, because lots of people have investments. So there was never any sudden in-

fusion of cash. Her husband, she says, always liked to live

Mr. Ames - she calls him Rick — was assigned to Rome. There, she says, for the first year or so, she was "full of enthusiasm, optimistic, just very happy." She had a miscarriage. then became pregnant with Paul. But during that time, she says, her marriage was deterio-rating rapidly. "Rick started becoming indifferent, showing less and less interest in, let's say, the sexual part of our relationship, which was very hurtful to me, she says. When she brought it up, he said he didn't want to talk about it.

She was so delighted with her new baby, she didn't worry about sex for a while. But her husband had a "strange hold" on her. "I look back on it now and see this very unhealthy dependency relationship," she says. "He knew exactly what strings to pull to get me to react in whichever way he wanted."

### Secrets From the Start

contributed to that sort of unhealthy dependency that I developed with Rick was the fact that there were so many secrets involved from the start in my life." Nobody knew that her husband worked for the CIA. and she was not allowed to tell. "Rick was the only one who knew everything. So I became unhealthily attached to the only person who had all the secrets. she says. "We had to share the CIA thing, he knew our relationship was not working. And then later on, this horrible a robot.

thing. It was very strange.
"Who could I tell what? Where would I start? Nobody one," she says. "I ended up con-

"I think the other thing that Rosario Ames in a visitation room at the detention center.

of a sudden: No, my husband is not a diplomat. He really works for the CIA, but he doesn't even work for the CIA. he works for the Russians. I really haven't had a wonderful

"That was my biggest mistake. I could not confide in any-husband and her mother, she guilty to espionage.

he was doing. I despised it. I and suggested he send a mes-insulted him. We fought all the sage to the Russians before it time." says, with migraines, hives, allife for the last four years. I'm lergies and other psychosomatic house was bugged. And in one ugly — my self-confidence was ills. "I just felt totally trapped. I instance, she drove with him totally crushed at that point. I did not know what to do and when he went to a site to check

says, she started pounding her Most of those incidents, she even knew he worked for the cluding that Rick was the one head against the kitchen cabi- says, refer to one period at the

had to grab her arms.

She is relieved, she says now. that she didn't tell anyone. "It That's really the first time I would have ended up endangering more people, endangering my mother." She says now, as devastating as her arrest was. "in a horrible sort of way, yes, it was a relief."

Throughout all this time, she says, she begged her husband to stop working for the Russians. He promised her over and over that he would, even telling her once that he had discussed retiring. But he never did.

The FBI learned of Mr. Ames's activities nearly a year after his wife said she found out. It began bugging the house and the car, following the car and setting up surveillance in the neighborhood. It was also during this time that the bureau taped several comments by Rosario Ames relating to the Russians, comments that were widely publicized at the time of

# Incriminating Evidence

On one mission she told him. "I hope you didn't screw it up."
On another, she told him that CIA," she continued. "How who had to save me or protect she hoped a lost suitcase didn't could I tell all these people all me. That's why I stuck there. contain "anything that "But it became a nightmare shouldn't have" been there. She because obviously I hated what warned him about the weather, She became sick, she got bad. Another time she suggested the possibility that the just didn't have any will. I the fear got so bad I was unable a signal. It is these incriminat-couldn't do anything. I was like to function like in my normal ing conversations and events that resulted in her being ac-At one point, in front of her cused and ultimately pleading

nets. Her husband, she says. end of 1993. And she did it she says, because she panicked, "I was so scared. It was fear. said. Oh my goodness, what's and she'll say, tears welling in going to happen? And I her eyes, "I hate him." thought, stupidly I guess, that by saying these things I was going to prevent something else. Of course, I wasn't."

She knew he was getting money from the Russians, because he had told her so, but she says their lifestyle never changed, and he never disavowed his earlier claim that he was getting money from his investments with "Robert from Chicago." So she continued to make her usual cash deposits, own spending account, she week says, usually in small amounts.

once as much as \$3,000. there was anything unusual staying in a hotel."

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Paul, she says, is seeing a psyabout this, because she says her to pay interest.

### What She Feels for Him corroborate his wife's story. writing letters to the court and to the public.

After the Ameses were arrested, the FBI found a typewriter ribbon in their trash and reconstructed a letter that Aldrich sians in the summer of 1992. "My wife has accomodated [sic] herself to understanding what I am doing in a very supportive way." Mr. Ames would later say that he wrote that note to protect her.

are good guys and bad guys.

"Are we going to tell him I'm a bad guy? Am I really a bad guy? I don't know."

Ask her why he is so supportive of her, and she will say: "He has to be. It's the truth." Ask her how she feels about him,

Rosario Ames cannot handle the idea of spending the next five years away from her child. When the subject of the sen-tencing comes up, her eyes fill with tears and she waves her hands as if to magically dispel the notion, "Now, for me, it's hard to get through one day without Paul. I can't think about it."

Her son is in Bogotá now with her 64-year-old mother. Rosario Ames is allowed to talk which he would give her for her to him once, sometimes twice, a

"I don't want Paul to see me like this," she says. "He doesn't She says she did not think know I'm in jail. He thinks I'm

husband had always dealt in chologist. He has been told that cash. Before she knew about the his daddy did something wrong Russians, she says, she did and is being punished. He bequestion the fact that he paid lieves his mother is helping the cash for their house —\$540,000 government and she can't come but she says that he didn't home yet. He has told his home yet. He has told his like mortgages and didn't want grandmother that he knows he will never see his father again. He has taken a photograph of his parents and pasted his own Aldrich Ames continues to picture next to his mother's, covering that of his father. He sits at meals with the photo in front of him, talking to his mother as he eats.

Rosario says she is not able to explain to Paul that she will be in jail. "Right now I feel so Ames had written to the Rus- weak that I feel somebody else should tell him," she says. "How can he understand? I mean, he's watched TV. There

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# U.S. Justice Department Investigates Possible Price-Fixing on Nasdaq

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WASHINGTON - The Justice Department's antitrust division has begun an investigation of possible price-fixing involving dozens of Wall Street firms that handle trading in over-the-counter stocks. Industry sources said the federal investi-

gation was pursuing charges similar to those raised in more than 20 private lawsuits filed in recent weeks.

The lawsuits contend that companies that specialize in trading many of the best-

known over-the-counter stocks, including Apple Computer Inc., have rigged the prices they offer when buying and selling shares to the detriment of small investors.

The antitrust division is looking at the possibility of anti-competitive practices in the over-the-counter stock market," a Justice Department spokesman said this week. Neither the National Association of Se-

curities Dealers, which oversees trading in stocks not listed on the New York or American stock exchanges, nor its computerized trading arm known as Nasdaq, has been

contacted by the Justice Department, according to Robert Ferri, a Nasdaq official. Unlike the New York and American exchanges, in which traders buy and sell shares face to face, the Nasdaq market is

an electronic network. Computers link screens in offices of traders all over the country. The screens show the prices at which professionals are willing to buy and sell Nasdaq stocks and allow

transactions to be made electronically. The possibility that price quotes were being rigged was first raised by two univer-

sity professors, William Christie of Vanderbilt University in Tennessee and Paul Schultz of Ohio State University.

— 12.5 cents — between the so-called bid and asked prices.

The researchers said they could find no

Using computers to analyze thousands of such trades, the professors said they found evidence that dealers were fixing prices to make a few more cents on each sale.

The researchers found that when traders sold Apple shares, for example, they added 25 cents to the price they had paid for them. They said this was unusual because similar stocks on other exchanges traded with a spread of only one-eighth of a point

The researchers said they could find no economic explanation for the bigger spread on Apple Computer and several other popular Nasdaq issues.

Soon after the professors' research was made public, unhappy investors began suing the Nasdaq trading firms, saying they had lost money to this pricing practice.

Nasdaq officials and the trading firms at first said the professors had failed to un-

derstand how the stock market really works and then said the lawsuits were an effort to make money from faulty research.

Later, the Nasdaq officials and representatives of the trading firms denied any price-fixing.

Despite the denials, Nasdaq trading practices have begun to change. On June 1, for example, the spread on Apple Computer shares — which had been 25 cents for years - abruptly dropped to 12.5 cents and has stayed there ever since.

# New Amex Chief Means Business Punitive Delistings Signal Desire for Quality Image

By Tom Petruno Los Angeles Times Service NEW YORK —The American Stock Exchange suddenly is talking tough about quality

— the quality of the mostly small, often speculative companies whose stocks it lists. In a surprise announcement last week, the Amex said it would launch delisting procedures against Conversion Industries of Pasadena, California, and one of its affiliated companies, Beta Well Service.

Delistings by stock exchanges are rare enough, but the Amex's decision is remarkable because it is punitive in nature. Citing unspeci-fied "disclosure" problems with Conversion and Beta, the Amex is essentially telling the companies it no longer wants their business. The exchange has not delisted a company for cause since 1971.

What did Conversion and Beta do wrong? The Amex will not say exactly, pending a private hearing Monday at which Conversion and Beta can plead their cases. But the new chairman of the Amex, Richard F. Syron, made it clear that the cases involved serious infractions of the ex-

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change's rules.
"This was not something done casually," Mr. Syron say, 'Go find me two to hang.'"

That statement was a reference to Mr. Syron's ascension to the Amex's top job April 1 and subsequent Wall Street speculation that he would seek to alter the exchange's image as a home for little companies of dubious appeal.
The Amex — whose history as a formal stock exchange goes back to 1911 -has plenty of legitimate stock listings, including Viacom Inc. the entertainment giant; Hasbro

Inc., a big toy maker, and The New York Times Co. The exchange also, since 1975, also

has become an important cen-

ly to the actions against Conversion and Beta, Mr. Syron's point is clear: The Amex needs to do a better job of policing itself and may have to set higher internal standards for better

investor protection. In the battle for business

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age from the inside out."

Mr. Syron, who left the presidency of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston to take the Amex post, argues that the exchange's image is "a bum rap." Nonetheless, he said, "we've got to change that image from the inside out."

But the Amex, with 873 companies currently listed, has long struggled to compete with the New York Stock Exchange
— which has more than 2,300 companies — and the electronic Nasdaq stock market, with 4,600 companies. To stay in business, some on Wall Street say, the Amex has had to accept a lot of marginal companies that could not be listed or traded elsewhere.

The ultimate victim, these critics say, is the investor who buys those stocks and winds up losing his shirt.

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ter for trading in stock op- among the three principal stock markets, Mr. Syron said, there are only two important competitive issues. One is service to the listed companies, meaning the trading liquidity offered and the quality of the pricing mechanism for the

> With the Nasdaq market now the target of a Justice Department investigation into alleged price-fixing, the Amex and New York Stock Exchange auction systems of human-regulated, single-site trading may get an image boost. The other issue, Mr. Syron

said, is fairness to the investor - especially the ability to keep out companies whose operations are shady or down-

right fraudulent.
"Fairness has to do with what kind of risks you take quantity for quality.

with what kind of companies." Mr. Syron said. Beyond some basic standards, he is not interested in regulating the "business risk" of Amex stocks, he said. In other words, if a company is small and speculative, the business risk should be apparent. That kind of risk is core to

capitalism," he said. But "regulatory risk" is another matter, Mr. Syron said. If a stock is listed on the Amex, its investors should be able to assume that the exchange holds the company to high standards of disclosure about its business.

"We can have companies with business risk, but then we have to be extremely vigilant" about reducing regulatory risk, Mr. Syron said.

The question is, how tough can Mr. Syron afford to be in changing the Amex's culture? As a former Federal Reserve official, he is expected to be a better cop than the previous chairman, former Representative James Jones. But some analysts trace the Amex's image problems back to the term of Arthur Levitt Jr. in the late

Mr. Levitt, chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, is now a champion of investor protection. Yet some Wall Streeters say he seemed to have difficulty at times balancing the need for more discipline at the Amex with the need to keep his traders in business.

By sanctioning two delistings this early in his term, Mr. Syron seems to be signaling that he is willing to give up

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Chris Mullin is 31 years old. "I think he's 33, maybe 34," his coach said.

He was born in 1963, Nelson was told. He turned 31 last July. "Well," said Nelson, "that may be, then."

When does time begin running out on an athletic career? It's sort of like most of the 661 games Mullin has played for the Golden State Warriors. Each one begins full of promise, but at the finish the scoreboard clock is making most of the players frantic, and if they haven't done it already, the best players are expected to prove themselves now. Everything that happened before is held hostage by the ending.

That's why this season is crucial. Mullin's talents haven't been fulfilled by an NBA championship, he hasn't even come close. He's 31 and his fans are starting to watch the clock.

every situation as you get older - that it becomes so important to win, to be on a winning team, to enjoy things," Nelson said.
"But he's doing fine. He's smart, he takes good care of himself, he can play a lot long-er. I played till I was 36; he ought to be able to play until

The Warriors came here Tuesday for an exhibition 132-116 beating of the Charlotte Hornets. The Omnispor ......... at Bercy was sold out mostly with teenagers who celebrated Mullin and Tim Hardaway like rock stars on a world tour. Hardaway is still only 28, but surgeons had to rebuild his knee a year ago. He looked good. Mullin has missed more than 50 games because of ligaments torn in his right (non-shooting) thumb and pinky over the last two years. If those injuries have numbed his touch with the ball - his imagination and his speed -it was hard to tell while he was scoring a game-high 25

points in 32 minutes. There is not a wit of boredom or indifference to his game. His telltale crewcut - which symbolized his new dedication seven years ago — still gives him the mischievous look of a treehouse boy, even when a closer ud dus roots. He always looks like he's trying; trying to enjoy himself through hard work. He was

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PARIS - "Oh, I think he's just said when a teammate reminded Mullin they were supeyebrows shot up and he took off running as if hearing the school bell three blocks away. Thirty-one years old.

"That probably is the last thing I think about," he said about the pressure to win a championship. "I don't really feel pressure that way; or may-be you just feel that pressure every year. You always want to do the best you can. That's less pressure than the other things you worry about - how your life is going to shape up, your family, what you're going to do. That other part, winning a championship, it's probably go-ing to happen if it's going to

It mostly has to do with how he judges himself. Tve seen guys win who look like losers to me, and I've seen some guys lose who look like winners." he said. He has struggled to con-trol his own life. He hasn't had "For any player I would trol his own life. He hasn't had think you'd look deeper into a drink in those seven years. He has lost both of his parents to med als, membership on the first Dream Team, five All-Star teams — but all of that looks more like the goal Land and Larry Bird and Michael Jordan. None of them won titles alone, and if Mullin wins one he will give thanks to Hardaway. Rilliance with such love if the only point was to win a title. He plays like trying to get our skills together, with such love if the only point

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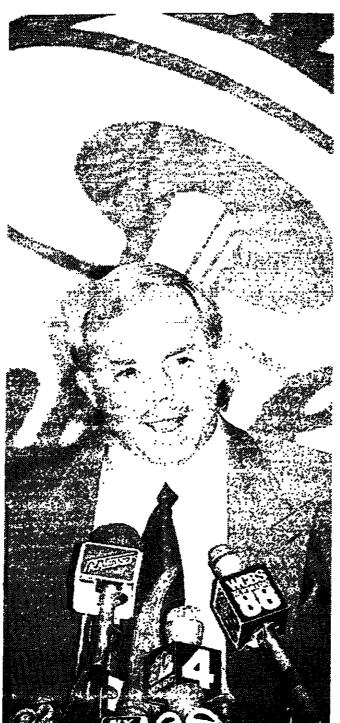
caught laughing at something while playing for the Boston the referee Jake O'Donnell had Celtics but has yet to manage one in 17 years of coaching. Only with Bob Lanier in Milposed to be pressing full court waukee did Nelson coach a after the next free throw — his great, true center. For the other dozen years his teams have always exhibited his own dry, quirky sense of humor, the kind that jokes straightfaced about his player's age. He's spent the last seven years trying to arrange a composition around Mullin, never making it past the second round of the playoffs, all the while refusing to sell his soul for a dominant center. This year he will make do in the middle with Chris Webber, a natural power forward, provided the Warriors can sign Web-ber as a restricted free agent. If

> team here. "We'll still probably only be the fourth or lifth best team in our conference." Nelson said. "But I think we'll have a chance

they can it will be Nelson's best

to win the title. So much is out of any play-er's control, and yet there is this truth: that of the 15 leading scorers of all time, 11 were able to win championships. If Mullin can play until 36, he will

to see what we each do best and how that fits in with everyone else," Mullin said. How many chances are left at 31? It's an irrelevancy for the great ones Part of that has been shaped who prove it at the end. They



Mark D. Phillips: Agence France-Press by Nelson, who won five titles aren't intimidated by any clock. Buck Showalter: First Yankee to win managers' award.

# Showalter, Of Yankees, Wins in AL

NEW YORK - Buck Showaiter, who brought calm to a New York Yankees club often beset by controversy, was the overwhelming choice for American League manager of the year.

He became the first Yankee manager to win the award, created in 1983. New York had the best record in the league, 70-43, and were in position for their first playoff spot since 1981 when the players' strike stopped the season Aug. 12.

Showalter, 38, is the youngest manager in the majors. He also is the first manager to survive three straight years since George Steinbrenner bought the team before the 1973 season.

"In my profession, the reward for a job well done is the opportunity to do more," Showalter said Tuesday.

He got 24 of 28 first-place votes in balloting by the Base-ball Writers Association of America. He also got four second-place votes and finished with 132 points.

Mike Hargrove of Cleveland got the other four first-place votes and finished with 86 points. Chicago's Gene Lamont was third with 17 and Oakland's Tony La Russa was fourth with 10.

Kansas City's Hal McRae was fifth and Boston's Butch Hobson was the only other manager to receive a vote.

McRae and Hobson have both been fired, with Kevin Kennedy hired Tuesday as manager of the Red Sox, less than a week after he was fired by the Texas Rangers.

Johnny Oates, fired in September by the Baltimore Orioles, was hired Wednesday to

# Tyson Declares He 'Hates World'

NEW YORK. — Mike Tyson, the former world heavy-weight boxing champion, says that he hates the world, that he is just a "black trophy" for the judge who sent him to prison on a rape conviction and that his chief regret in life is falling.

In an interview published this week in Ring Magazine Tyson was asked what his biggest regret was.

"I would have never fallen in love," he said. "I've never been successful in relationships where you really have a deep infatuation for a person."

Tyson, 28, is expected to be released from prison in early May after serving about three years of a six-year term for raping a beauty contestant in Indianapolis in 1991.

In a wide-ranging interview conducted in August, Tyson said he ran about eight miles (13 kilometers) a day and shadow-boxed to stay in condition.

About his former wife, Robin Givens, Tyson said: "We weren't ready for marriage, and we got caught up in the whole situation of being who we were. I don't want to be her friend, I don't want to hug and kiss and be cordial with her, but I have nothing bad or good to say about her."

Givens has said that Tyson beat her.

"I don't beat on women," he said. "A woman may say I beat her, but have you ever seen Robin's face caved in? I hit Mitch Green in a street fight, and you saw what happened to his face. Robin never had no bruises."

Don King, who promoted many of his fights and is under indictment for insurance fraud, was "a good man," he said. "Don King sometimes gets caught up in being so suspicious of everybody," he added. "I think that sometimes he even distrusts his friends. I don't think he trusts me totally.

Tyson said that before going to prison he thought everyone was nice, but "now Mike Tyson hates the world."
"That's just a fact," he said. "I hate everybody. I know they

say, 'No, you can't hate the world, don't be bitter.' But I just hate everybody. Well, the majority, maybe 99 percent."

About Judge Patricia Gifford, who presided over Tyson's trial and sentenced him, the fighter said: "I think this is her claim to fame. I'm her famous black trophy. She wants everybody to know she put Mike Tyson in jail

Tyson said that when he first went to jail in March 1992, he told himself that prison was "killing me, I want to see my family."

"But when it really comes down to it," he said, "I really don't have anybody I want to go to. I've been alone all my life and every time I did accept someone in my life, they've [expletive deleted] me."

Asked if King was his surrogate father, Tyson said: "I never had a father. So how's he supposed to be my father? What would I know about a father-son relationship?"

# Dolphins' Parmalee Finally Gets His Chance, and Makes the Most of It

By Charlie Nobles New York Times Service

DAVIE, Florida - It took nine years of unwavering faith in himself for Bernie Parmalee to become an overnight star.

By the time the Miami Dolphins' third-year running back arrived home on Sunday night from a game against the Los Angeles Raiders, well-wishers in his south Broward neighborhood had tied balloons to his mailbox - a fresh acknowledgment that someone special lives there. Parmalee also heard shouts of praise from

a nearby pool as he opened his front door. And that reaction was nothing compared with the raucous applause he got from his Dolphin teammates in the team meeting the next day.

It was the first time in Coach Don Shula's 25 seasons of day-afters with Miami that any one player had been singled out for an ovation by his teammates.

Parmalee earned such high recognition partly by piercing the Raiders for 150 yards rushing in 30 carries, including 47 on his final four carries in helping set up the winning field goal in Miami's 20-17 overtime victory. Yet he was nearly as conspicuous on special teams, recovering a fumble and tackling Rocket Ismail so viciously on a punt return Indiana, rushing for a school record 3.483 that he knocked him out of the game with a yards and producing 100-yard rushing games

"Bernie's a throwback player," said Keith Byars, the Dolphin fullback. "He should have been playing in the '40s, when they went both

Amazingly, before this season, Parmalee's lee chose Miami. only claim to any recognition at all as a Dolphins defeated the singer Michael Bolton's team. Now he is averaging 4.7 yards a late.

carry, with 373 yards on 79 attempts. Bernie Parmalee? And how did he come to the point of dominating a National Football League game?

A soft-spoken 27-year-old, Parmalee was a ghtly recruited wide receiver-free safety out Lincoln High School in Jersey City, New Jersey, and when he finally did reach the NFL in 1992, it was through the league's back

He had been converted to running back as a freshman at Ball State in 1987 and became a

16 times.

Yet when draft time rolled around, he was passed over. Several teams were interested in signing him as a free agent - the Giants and the Jets each gave him tryouts — but Parma-

Only one problem: Parmalee's agent at the Dolphin came with the club softball team. In time, the Denver-based Jack Mills, rejected April, he hit a home run over the 365-foot the team's offer, unbeknownst to his client. mark at Fort Lauderdale Stadium as the When Parmalee finally called to try to rectify the situation, the Dolphins said it was too

"I always knew, if given an opportunity, The big questions now are: Just who is that I could play," he said. "But I never knew who would give me the opportunity."

Interest in him from other teams evaporated, so Parmalee, with a wife and a child, was left to sit out the 1991 season. He loaded United Parcel Service trucks and worked behind a bowling alley counter at night in Muncie.

All along, though, he kept working out, his NFL dream intact. And the following spring. he received a tryout with the Arena League's New England Blitz.

"I was in their camp and everything was going well, but then a week before our first scrimmage, they folded," he said. "So that "But the thing I noticed this year is he was was another blow. But the good thing I got not having to worry about assignments," out of that was I found out what I really had to do to make it. It exposed me to the pressures of performing each and every day, with the possibility of getting cut. If you look at it in the past." that way, you've got to give it your all every

Dolphins, but the phone didn't ring.

Finally, on the eve of training camp in 1992, the Dolphins called: "Can you fly out

the next day?" "How about right now?" he answered.
"That's what I needed — just to get in the door," he said. "Then it was up to me to take it from there."

Until this year, Parmalee's special-teams

play kept him on the roster. "He was a hard-nosed special-teams player," Shula said. "When you get a guy who makes plays on the special teams and he's a hard worker, sooner or later he's gonna start playing somewhere. Because the thing that

Parmalee weighs a muscular 205 pounds (93 kilograms), 15 more than in his rookie Parmalee went back to Muncie. He felt he year. Teammates joke that the Dolphins' ad done well in a March workout for the weight room has become his second home. And he still is unaffected enough to delight in his \$167,000 salary, even though it's only \$5,000 above the league minimum for a third-

year player.
"I figured I'd play a backup role this year,"
he said softly, sitting in front of his locker.
"Things have changed a little, but I'm not taking anything for granted. Coming from where I have, I don't think I ever will."

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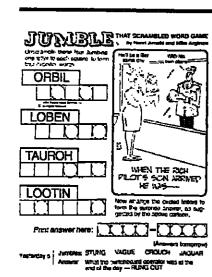
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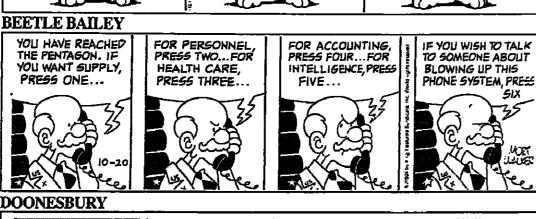
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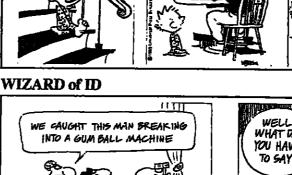
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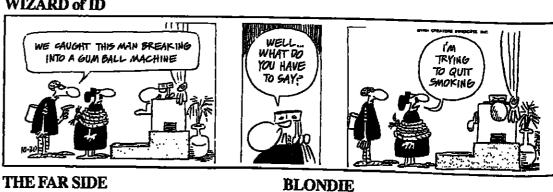
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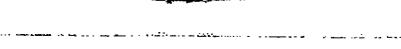


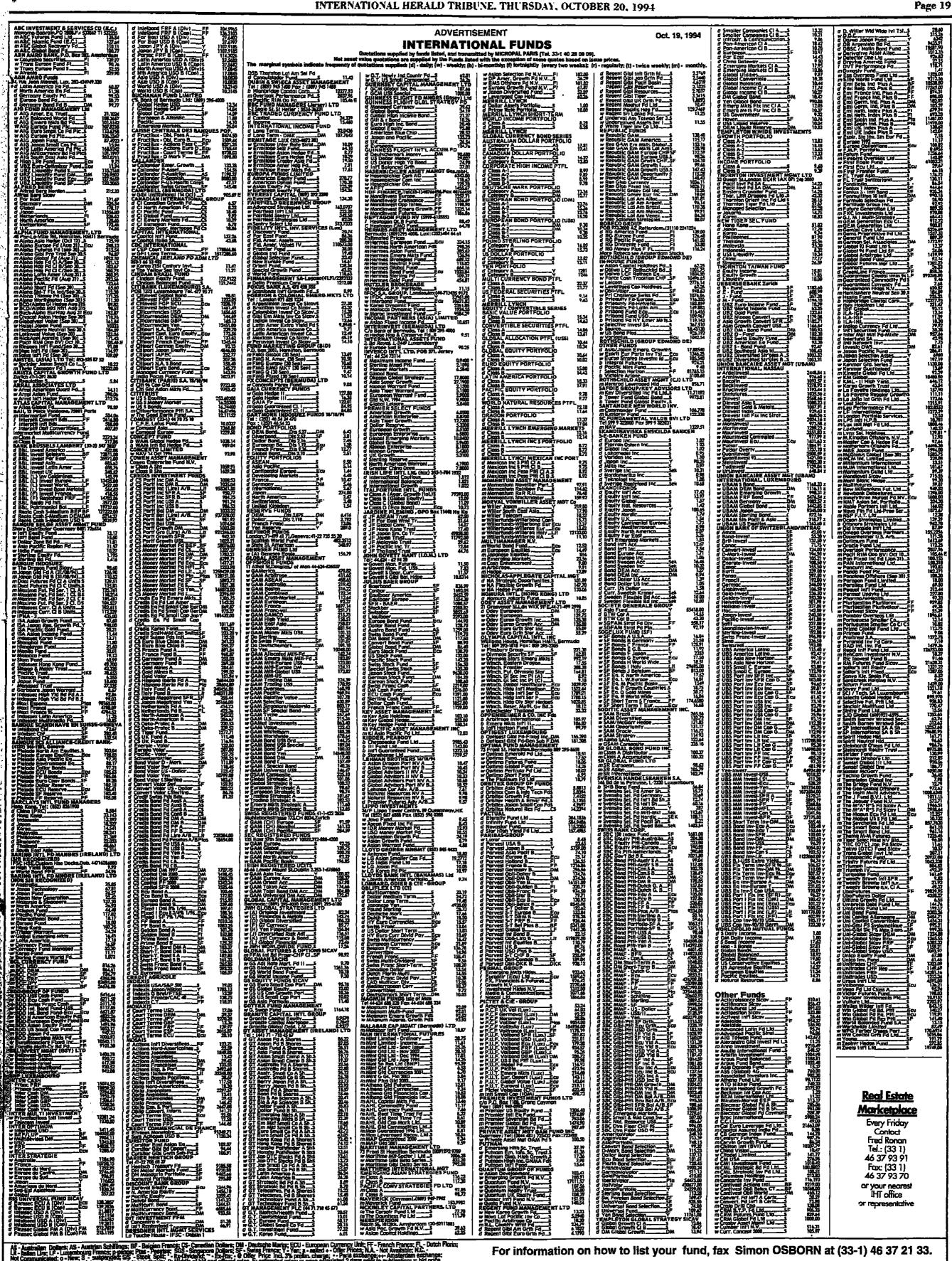
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blame it on "missome guided staff member who has been reprimanded.`

As far as handlers are concerned. concerned. winning is everything and they couldn't

Buchwald care less what political high

crimes and misdemeanors they are charged with. Proof of this was when I visited the office of Charles Peanut running for Senate against the incumbent, Will Willowbright.

A handler, wearing a bulletproof vest, came into the office lo screen some videotape commercials. The first showed a stripteaser doing her number. The voice-over said, "Senator Willowbright doesn't know this

woman, but he would like to.

Protect your family - vote for "What do you think?" Peanut asked me.

"It does have a political message," I said.

The handler kept going. The next commercial showed Willowbright eating dinner at a large political fund-raiser. While our boys are in Haiti, Senator Willowbright is eating swordfish at the Hilton Hotel. Now you know why Saddam Hussein misread American intentions in the Middle East."

≥nough, "Not many Americans know who Saddam Hussein is or why we are in Haiti. Peanut agreed. "Scrub it."

I felt that it wasn't negative

WASHINGTON — It is no button. The commercial showed a montage of criminals in prison, in handcuffs and chains. It ended with a close-up of the electric chair. "The reason you don't see Willowbright in this picture," the voice-over said, "is that he doesn't give a damn about crime." Then they have a shot of the country club. 'The only thing he cares about is his golf game. Are your wives and daughters safer on the street because Willowbright can shoot an 85?

Peanut said, "I like it. I shoot an 81, but I don't want us to sound as if we're running a negative campaign."

The handler turned to me, "We're working on some more one showing Willowbright going in and out of what we claim to be a crack house. It's actually a halfway house, but who's to know? We're also planning a shot of Willowbright with President and Mrs. Clinton.

"How did you get that?" Pea-"We took it with a camera

hidden in Pat Buchanan's cigarette lighter. This year no campaign actually has a photo of a Democratic candidate with the president of the United States, and no candidate has admitted to ever having met Bill Clinton."

"So far so good. What else are we going to do with Willow-bright?"

"We're calling him a liar."
"What for?" "It doesn't matter. He has to

prove that he isn't." 'Suppose he charges us with hitting him below the belt?" "We'll tell him to lower his

"You're a good man, Dirk Dagger. If I am elected I'll see to it that you become director of the Political Ethics Committee."

"Politics is a pure and honorable profession --- but someone

# Manfred Eicher's Ever-Widening Circles of Jazz

By Mike Zwerin

DARIS - Manfred Eicher is a man of the far north. He believes that cold, strange light, extreme seasons and geographical distance "inspire musical clarity." Driving through jagged lava fields in Iceland, he listened to music by the contemporary Norwegian saxophonist Jan Garbarek and by the 16th-century Spanish composer Christobal de Morales and flashed on the image of "a southern mainland over which a migratory bird from the north was drawing ever-widening circles."

Eicher, 51, has been drawing everwidening circles for a living since founding ECM (Edition of Contemporary Music) Records, which celebrates its 25th birthday in November. Bringing north to south and vice versa, Eicher encouraged Garbarek to combine his voice with the fourpart polyphony of Morales and others like him. The recently released album "Officium," a good bet to top the Dominican monks on the pop charts, draws a circle highlighting ECM's motto: "The most beautiful sound next to silence."

The start-up goal was to "record jazz with the same sensitivity and attention to detail as classical music." Having played both classical and jazz bass. Eicher knew the difference. He gave a slick slew of American musicians a big break. In 1981, according to Time magazine: "A young jazz musician would want an ECM label the way a short story writer would want to be published by The New Yorker."

Times change. Many young writers now prefer to publish elsewhere. And young jazz musicians play postbebop and look for big advances from Blue Note or Warner Brothers. Although the African connection dominates the marketplace, Eicher continues evoking the European connection to "America's only art form." He prefers making his own trends. He is determined, some say dictatorial. And ECM's music can be plain weird. The fact remains that Eicher expanded the definition of jazz by reorganizing multiethnic Global Village strains into lineups

including Zakir Hussain, Marion Brown, Trilok Gurtu, Egberto Gismonti, Enrico Rava, David Darling, Old and New Dreams, Meredith Monk, Terje Rypdal, Nana Vascon-celos, John Surman, L. Shankar, Jaco Pastorius, Dom Um Ramao and Keith Jarrett.

Recorded in 1975, Jarrett's "Köln Concert" has sold 2.5 million copies. Nobody, certainly not Eicher, predicted that abstract solo piano could reach the masses. Selling 50,000 copies (well above the break-even line) of the pianist's rendition of Bach's preludes and fugues was another welcome surprise. He and Jarrett have worked together more than 20 years without a written contract. It was the same arrangement with Pat Metheny, When the guitarist left for Geffen Records and more money, they shook hands and wished each other luck.

With rock ascending, jazz guitar was an endangered species in the early 1970s. Metheny is one of many guitarists ECM hoisted into the standings, along with John Abercrombie, Bill Connors, Ralph Towner, Bill Frisell, John McLaughlin, Steve Vai, Kevin Eubanks, David Torn and John Scofield. It's difficult to avoid name-

dropping telling this story, ECM has released more than 500 albums, all still in the catalogue. Eicher produced all but 20 of them. This involves having spent a good part of the last 25 years buried in control-rooms. I asked him how he maintained his cutting edge.

Eicher weighed his words and spoke them slowly enough to be trancribed without rewinding the tape: The process of making music never exhausts me. The creative side is continual nourishment. But office work exhausts me. I still oversee more or

less everything."
"How's business?" "I have no idea." Eicher runs one of the few remaining significant viable independent labels (in Munich). He is distributed worldwide by BMG and PolyGram, not exactly small players. There are those in the business who say that Eicher knows a lot more about managing his money than he lets on.

"What's your gross volume of



Saxophonist Jan Garbarek (left) and jazz producer Manfred Eicher: Inspiring musical clarity.

'I really don't know." You might call this low-profile manager an economic puritan. He owns neither his office nor his apartment. He reinvests in his company. He is interested in the quality of the product more

than profits. "Are you making a profit?"
"I'm not interested." There is a defiant smile. Can this be true? "I don't think about money. I don't deal with banks. We have never taken out a loan. All I know is that when I need money for a new production it's al-

ways there." I asked him how come, if he is not interested in profit, he produced Pat Metheny's series of extremely commercial easy-listening albums includ-ing "American Garage" and "As Falls Wichita, So Falls Wichita Falls."

"I'm not dodging responsibility, but I was never really emotionally touched by that music. These records had a great commercial impact, although I don't think that was Pat's intention. It was some kind of statement he had to make at that stage in his career. He produced most of it on his own in America. He probably didn't want my influence because my

music for sure." The corporate attitude is something like we all have something to say, some of it sells, some not, one supports the other. It's sort of aesthetic socialism. He prefers to listen about art as rate of return. You plant to Schubert — or better yet, silence body will turn the page. Music should be part of a long-lasting heal-

influence would have changed his

I'm being naive or corny. This is objectively important. We must create with integrity.

"Record companies are investing enormously in jazz at the moment. They think it will pay off quickly. Everything has to happen in the first momentum these days, or it's considered lost. That's wrong thinking. It takes time for musicians to be able to reach their center, their sound, their articulation, their compositional skills and so on. You cannot think the seeds, watch the plant grow, whatever is going on out there: "I don't feel I'm missing anything. I don't need those points of reference.

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THE family of Lord Lucan, a British aristocrat who vanished 20 years ago after the murder of his children's nanny, has launched a legal bid to have him offi-cially declared dead. The move would clear the way for his children to inherit his estate and put his tax affairs in order. Lucan is accused of killing the nanny and attempting to kill his wife in 1974. Police say they still check on about 60 Lucan 'sightings" each year. Bob and Dolores Hope have been married for 60 years. He's 91; she's 85. And there they were at Sardi's, holding hands and gazing into each other's eyes. They

disks and souvenir pamphlet. Dr. Benjamin Spock, who wrote the 1946 best-selling "bible" of child care, is worried about what he sees as America's loss of spiritual beliefs. Spock, 91, promoting what he said would be his 17th and last

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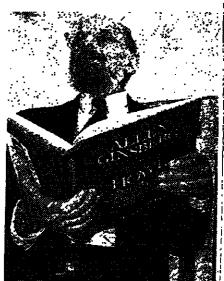
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ily Values" was a warning that American society was heading in the wrong direction and that it was harmful to children.

**PEOPLE** 

Another Elvis book? Yes, but Peter Guralnick's biography, "Last Train To Memphis: The Rise of Elvis Presley" steers clear of the sensational aspects of Elvis's later years. Instead, it focuses on the years from 1935 up to his induction into the Army and the death of his mother in 1959. The idea, Guralnick said, "was to show him as a person who set out seriously to make music and was a dedicated and consciously feeling artist.'

Donald Sutherland is in Budapest to film Andrei Chikatilo, who was convicted of torturing and killing 52 children and women in southern Russia in the 1980s. An eight-year manhunt failed to produce any hard evidence against Chikatilo, a Communist Party functionary. He confessed in 1992 after speaking with a psychiatrist and was executed Feb. 15. Sutherland stars as a policeman who joins a criminologist, book, declared that "A Better World for Our Children: Rebuilding American Fampsychopath."



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# Rothenberg Getting \$7 Million Of World Cup \$60 Million Profit

By Julie Cart
Los Angeles Times Service

LOS ANGELES - Alan Rothenberg will receive \$7 million in compensation for serv-ing as the World Cup Organiz-Committee's chairman and chief executive officer.

The World Cup Board of Directors released the event's preliminary financial accounting, and projected the monthlong soccer tournament's net at \$60 million, about three times earli-

The board announced that Rothenberg would receive a \$3million bonus. However, two board members said the board also voted Rothenberg an additional \$4 million as part of a deferred-compensation package for "back pay due," calculated at \$800,000 a year, running from August of 1990 through next year.

In addition, Rothenberg's extensive expenses the last four years had previously been reim-

bursed by the committee. In 1992, Rothenberg de-clined a salary of \$350,000 a

board, saying he would accept ta," the site of the 1996 Olympic compensation only if a surplus Games. was produced. Rothenberg said many times later that he was not receiving a salary.

Peter V. Ueberroth, a board pensation committee, said Tuesday that an outside consulting group had given a range of figures for the executive bonuses and that the board had made the final determinations.

"One of the things they took into account was that I certainly sacrificed a great deal on the other side." Rothenberg said.

In an era of declining sports marketing dollars and increas-ing costs of mounting international sporting events, the surplus is considered by some to be remarkable. Early projections called for a \$20-million profit.

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The board also announced that it expected to turn over \$40 million to the U.S. Soccer Federation Foundation, a nonprofmember who chaired the com- it organization established to promote and support soccer in the United States.

> Rothenberg said the World Cup, which charged up to \$475 for tickets, grossed approximately \$375 million. The Associated Press reported.

That figure doesn't include money from the 11 official sponsors, who paid between \$20 million and \$32 million each to be associated with the 1994 World Cup and the 1992 European Championship. That money was split by FIFA and the UEFA, the sport's governing body in Europe.

"I think the figures are exceptional," said Ueberroth, who organized the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles that netted \$225 million. "In this counpenses, including \$7.7 million in deferred and continuing salaaround. We are often embarry to its staff, which peaked at rassed by our success in Ameriapproximately 418 fulltime emyear that was offered by the ca. It's a good omen for Atlan-ployees. It will pay about \$1

million in bonuses to its other employees.

It estimates it has given about \$11 million to the USSF in cash and property.

The announcement didn't address the approximately \$5 million the U.S. World Cup organizers lent Major League Soccer, the 10-team league Rothenberg is heading. MLS. which plans to start play in April, has seven cities lined up and is scheduled to announce the rest next Tuesday.

 Red Star Belgrade's return to international soccer competition after more than two years was delayed Wednesday by FIFA, The Associated Press re-

FIFA asked Red Star and Olympiakos Piraeus of Greece not to play a planned exhibition match despite a recent easing of U.N. sanctions that kept Yugoslav teams from international play for 28 months.

FIFA told the Yugoslav Soccer Association in a letter that Yugoslavia's return to international soccer will have to await the body's meeting Oct. 27 in

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BACK ON TRACK - Karl Wendlinger, the Austrian who lay in a coma for more than three weeks, drove a Formula One car Wednesday for the first time since his crash at the Monaco Grand Prix in May. "It's a great feeling," Wendlinger said after the session of testing with the Sauber team in Le Castellet, France.

# '32 Olympics' Famed 'Loser' Dies at 85

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore- guests." gon - Ralph Hill, the uncomplaining runner-up in one of the most controversial races in Olympic history, has died at the age of 85.

A son, Dr. Robert Hill, said his father died Monday at a nursing home where he had been living since breaking his pelvis early this year.

Ralph Hill won the silver medal at 5,000 meters at the 1932 Los Angeles Games. The winner, Finland's Lauri Lehtinen, cut in front of Hill twice over the final 200 meters, preventing him from passing.

The crowd of more than 50.000 showered catcalls on Lehtinen until the public address announcer said, "Remem-

ber, these people are our Klamath Falls. "I'm sure he was

Avery Brundage, who later became president of the International Olympic Committee, spoke for the United States and said that although the race was not fairly run, his country

would not file a protest. The chief judge was quoted as saying he would have disqualified Lehtinen had a protest been filed.

Humorist Will Rogers said, 'It looked as if Lehtinen, or whatever his name is, made the mistake of zigging when he should have zagged." Hill didn't complain.

"The U.S. made its decision and he said, 'O.K.," said Dr. Alden Glidden, a friend from disappointed, but he never showed any bitterness." Hill and Lehtinen were given

the same time for the race, a world record of 14 minutes, 30 seconds. Reports from around the

world denounced Lehtinen and praised Hill.

The Swedish newspaper Dagens Nyheter wrote of Hill's graciousness, saying he is the "hero of boys and girls who turn out for track and sports in every school."

Several years ago at an Oregon Track Club gathering, mater, Henley High School, someone asked Hill if he was named for Hill and another thought he would have won the famous alumnus, world decath-

"You bet," he said. It may have been the only time he publicly voiced his true feelings about the incident. Hill moved to the Klamath

Falls area at age 4 and graduated from the University of Oregon in 1931 with a degree in business administration. After running in the Olympics, he re-turned to Klamath Falis, where he farmed until his retirement in 1980.

He came down with polio in 1953 and lost the use of his right arm. From then on, he operated farm machinery with his left

In 1992, the track at his alma race if he hadn't been fouled. lon record holder Dan O'Brien.

# No Negligence Found in Death of Skier Maier

BONN - Prosecutors have closed their investigation into the death of Austrian Alpine skier Ulrike Maier and said that they could find no negligence on the part of the organizers of the World Cup downhill last January.

"There are two main reasons for the case being closed," Munich's public prosecutor, Rudiger Hödl, said Wednesday. The organizers were found to have met all the safety measures required by the International Skiing Federation. Also it was impossible to have foreseen the

Maier, a 26-year-old former super-giant statom world champion, lost control of her skis on a normally straightforward part of the piste at the Garmisch-Partenkirchen course and broke her neck.

Hodl said that it had been established that Maier died when she hit the back of her neck on a mound of snow at the side of the course and not on a timing post which, television pictures indicated, could have been the cause of death.

Her fiance, Hubert Schweighofer, has sued, claiming safety measures were inadequate. The Austrian news agency APA quoted Schweighofer as describing the prosecutors' decision as "incomprehensible and disgraceful."

· A court in Grenoble France, gave the driver of a snow-roller a three-month suspended jail sentence Wednes-

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Bochatay during the 1992 Winter Games, justice sources said.

> Grognet, 37, had broken regulations banning snow machines from ski runs in the resort of Les Arcs after 9 A.M. Bochatay, training at 9.10 A.M. for the Olympic speed ski-

The court said, Marceau

ing final, smashed head-on into the machine, which Grognet had parked behind a hill. The skier was killed instantly.

the famous British Olympic ice dance team Torvill and Dean,

• Christopher Dean, half of married American skater Jill starts in Chicago on Nov. 10.

day for causing the death of Trenary in a private ceremony Swiss Olympic skier Nicolas at the weekend, his spokeswoman said in Los Angeles. Dean, 36, and Trenary, 26,

were married Saturday in St. Mark's Cathedral in Minneapolis. Dean's partner, Jayne Torvill, attended the wedding and her husband, Phil, was best

The spokeswoman, Nancy Seltzer, said the newlyweds were on a one-week honeymoon before going to Colorado to re-hearse for the U.S. leg of Torvill and Dean's final world tour. The American part of the tour, in which Trenary also performs,

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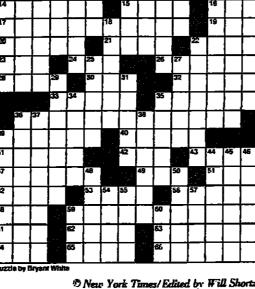
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# The Milosevic Card: Recognition of Bosnia and Croatia

By Roger Cohen

BELGRADE - Maneuvering once again to use Serbia as the unlikely instrument of its Balkan diplomacy, the Clinton administration is now pressing its president to grant diplomatic recognition to Bosnia-Herzegovina and to

Such recognition would be aimed at further isolating Bosnian and Croatian Serbs long armed and backed by Serbia and its president, Slobo-dan Milosevic. In exchange, the United States would be prepared to accept a further easing of trade sanctions against Serbia, Western officials said Wednesday.

"The highest thing on our agenda now is securing Serbian recognition of Bosnia and Croatia," an official said.

"It looked like a nonstarter a couple of weeks ready amounts to de facto recognition of the Bosnian border."

After financing their campaign of aggression for more than two years, Mr. Milosevic officially chance, short of fighting this war either directly cut off all political and economic links to the or by proxy," the Western official said.

By Barbara Crossette

UNITED NATIONS, New

New York Times Service

York — The Clinton administration is to introduce a Securi-

calling for the lifting of the

arms embargo against Bosnia's

Muslim-led government in six

The move is an opening ma-

neuver in what are likely to be

delicate negotiations with Rus-

sia, Britain, France and Germa-

ny, who have been working with

the United States in a "contact

The countries have been try-

ing to win Serbian acceptance

of a peace settlement partition-

ing Bosnia among the warring

factions and reducing the area under Serbian control from 70

percent to 49 percent. The Serbs

have rejected the proposal,

while the Bosnian government

Action to lift the embargo

against the Bosnian govern-

ment has been demanded by

administration must find a way

to avoid a Russian veto of its

resolution or a split with Euro-

pean allies, who oppose ex-

empting the Bosnian Muslims

from a weapons ban covering

Madeleine K. Albright, the

chief U.S. delegate to the Unit-

ed Nations, and Richard Hol-

brooke, assistant secretary of

State for European affairs, told

delegates from the "contact

troduce the resolution, a U.S.

The Europeans and Russians

have been opposed to setting a firm future date in a resolution

and it is likely that, at mini-

mum, there will be demands for

a weakening of that language, allowing for a new look at the

issue next spring before action is taken. And a French or Brit-

ish veto cannot be ruled out.

For the Clinton administra-

tion, there is little public room

for maneuvering at this point.

Congress has mandated that

American forces can no longer

has accepted it.

all the combatants.

official said.

group" on Bosnian peace.

**U.S.** to Test Allies

On Bosnia Embargo

Hard Going Expected in UN

ty Council resolution next week 

Genocide Trial Opens

be used to enforce the embargo

after Nov. 15 if there is no reso-

lution on lifting the ban or if the

A Serb went on trial in Salz-

burg on Thursday on charges of

murder, arson and genocide in Bosnia, the first such case to be

tried outside the former Yugo-

The accused, Dusko Cvjetko-

Mr. Cvjetkovic fled to Aus-

tria a year ago as a political

refugee but was recognized here

by the brother of a victim. War-

crimes trials have been held in

Belgrade and Sarajevo, but this

is the first such trial to take place in a Western European

Proceedings were adjourned

after the first day until Dec. 5 to

allow prosecutors time to sum-

mon further witnesses.

slavia, Reuters reported.

vic, 26, denied the charges.

Bosnian Serbs in August. His main hope was to win relief from international sanctions.

Nonetheless, recognition of Bosnia and Croatia within their current international borders would amount to an enormous step - one some officials close to Mr. Milosevic believe is impossible even now,

Angered by the way the breakup of Yugoslavia

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wish to join, Mr. Milosevic has long dismissed by the United Nations.

Many have seen his long support for the Bosnian and Croatian Serbs as a drive to create a emerged this week in an unusually blunt article

"Greater Serbia." ago, but it may in fact be possible, because
Milosevic's blockade of the Bosnian Serbs alcut off the Bosnian Serbs suggests that he is a man capable of violent policy swerves in defense of his hold on power.

"Mr. Milosevic now represents our best

The need to find some new political momen- therefore all have the courage to affirm this tum in the quest for peace has become pressing publicly."

over the last three months as a U.S.-backed plan

A U.S. official close to the Bosnian negotia-

to be accepted by them. For the United States, the Milosevic card looks like the only viable option. However, Euromarooned ethnic Serbs in countries they did not pean governments would now like to adjust the peace proposal to make it more attractive to the

To the Clinton administration, such a step would amount to rewarding the Bosnian Serbs' the current Croatian and Bosnian borders as stubbornness. U.S. officials are insisting that this mere administrative lines drawn by Tito, the was a take-it-or-leave-it plan, offering 51 percent former Yugoslav ruler, and unjustly recognized of Bosnia to the Muslim-led government and 49 percent to the Serbs.

The extent of the trans-Atlantic differences in the Paris daily Le Figaro by the French foreign On the other hand, Mr. Milosevic's decision to minister, Alain Juppé. Noting that the Muslim-Croat federation in Bosnia had the right to form a confederation with Croatia, Mr. Juppe said the Bosnian Serbs should now be explicitly granted

the right to form a confederation with Serbia. "Everyone agrees in private that this is the only logical position to adopt," he wrote. "Let us some value in Mr. Juppé's ideas.

to end the 30-month war has sat on the table, tions said the Clinton administration considered rejected by the Bosnian Serbs and unlikely ever the French ideas to be premature. In the U.S. view, the Serbs must first accept the international proposal for dividing Bosnia.

The problem for the Clinton administration is twofold. The first is that the Bosnian government has made it clear that any adjustment of the peace proposal would lead to a withdrawal of its acceptance of the plan.

The second is one of image: A Serbian confederation that includes almost 50 percent of Bosnia would come very close to the formation of a "Greater Serbia" and leave Bosnia-Herzegovina as little more than a fig leaf masking the dismemberment of the country. That outcome may be inevitable, but it is not attractive to a president who declared as a Democratic candidate that Serbian aggression could not be tolerated.

But in the absence of any real military pressure on the Serbs, or any likelihood of such pressure emerging, there seems to be limited usefulness in leaving the peace plan as it is. Moreover, Britain, Russia and, to a lesser extent, Germany, all see

# WORLD BRIEFS

# Sinn Fein Criticizes U.K. Reluctance

DUBLIN -- The president of Sinn Fein, Gerry Adams, held talks about Northern Ireland with Prime Minister Albert Revnolds of Ireland on Thursday and criticized Britain's attitude on holding a similar dialogue with him.

"It is pertinent to point out the engagement of the Irish government is in marked contrast to the faltering and hesitant way in which the British government has approached this new era of peace," Mr. Adams said after the hourlong meeting with Mr

Reynolds. Britain refuses to hold talks with Sinn Fein, the political wing of the Irish Republican Army, until it is satisfied that the guerrilla group's Sept. 1 truce in its 25-year war to end British rule of Northern Ireland is permanent.

# Ex-Stasi Informer Resigns Bonn Seat

BONN (AP) - A leftist who was elected to Parliament despite her admission that she was once an informer for East Germany's Stasi secret police resigned Thursday after her party withdrew its

Kerstin Kaiser-Nicht, a vice president of the Party of Democratic Socialism, was asked to surrender her seat Wednesday night by the majority of the 29 other new PDS legislators. The PDS was created in 1990 from the ashes of the East German Communist

Ms. Kaiser-Nicht's seat will go to Maritta Böttcher, the next name on the list of candidates in the Eastern German state of

# Police Alert for Austria Rightist Rally

VIENNA (Reuters) — Austrian border guards were on alert Thursday for neo-Nazis heading for a weekend rally in Innsbruck of up to 3,000 members of the extreme right, and the police in the city were being massively reinforced in case of clashes.

State radio said surveillance had been stepped up at the borders

with Germany, Switzerland and Italy, as well as in Innsbruck, to prevent the "infiltration of rowdies." Citizens were advised to stay at home Saturday night.

Central Innsbruck was to be protected by 900 uniformed police with water cannon, including reinforcements sent to the city from all over Austria. Two helicopters were being deployed, and 90 detectives are to support the uniformed force.

## Bus in India Is Pushed Over a Gorge

NEW DELHI (Reuters) - Kuki tribal militants in northeastern India pushed a bus filled with passengers down a gorge, killing 37 people, mostly rival Nagas, the Press Trust of India said

Naga tribesmen later killed two Kukis in the town of Bishna-

pur, the news agency said. Kukis and Nagas often operate from across the Burmese border. Indian customs officials believe they are fighting over a heroin smuggling route. Kukis form 20 percent and Nagas 25 percent of Manipur State's population of 1.8 million.

# Vandals Attack Jewish Site in France

BOBIGNY, France (AFP) -- Vandals attacked a memorial to a former concentration camp where Jews were rounded up in wartime France to be taken to gas chambers, officials said

The attack occurred at the site of the former Drancy camp, north of Paris, three days after an anniversary commemoration of the last convoy of 200 children to leave the camp for the externination chambers at Auschwitz.

The vandals ransacked an exhibition of memorabilia about the camp, the police said. Mayor Maurice Niles of Drancy and other officials condemned the attack.

### Uruguay Clears Médecin Extradition

MONTEVIDEO (AFP) - Uruguay's Supreme Court has cleared the way for the extradition of Jacques Medecin, 66, the former mayor of Nice, who has been sentenced in France on corruption charges, the court said Thursday,

The court rejected the final appeals filed by Mr. Medecin, who fled in 1990 to Uruguay. Sources here said Mr. Medecin, charged with corruption, enbezzlement of public money and tax fraud, could be extradited

RETURN TO AUSCHWITZ — The Nazi-hunter Simon Wiesenthal wiping away tears Thursday as he spoke during his first visit to Auschwitz since World War II. Mr. Wiesenthal, 86, was a prisoner at the camp in Poland.

### 'Good Fight!' Says Italian Legislator After Sparking Melee Congress and promised by President Bill Clinton. But the

ROME — Government and opposition legislators brawled in the Chamber of Deputies on Thursday, forcing suspension of a debate over public broadcast-

Italian television showed scenes of pandemonium in the assembly as deputies from the government benches, many from the rightist National Alliance movement, left their seats and stormed toward their opposi-

Stewards were unable to stop several deputies from reaching the floor of the chamber, where they grappled group" countries Wednesday of and traded punches before the assembly speaker, Irene the administration's plan to in- Pivetti, called the session to a halt.

The melee erupted when Mauro Paissan, a deputy hit and shoved," the Italian news agency ANSA refor the opposition leftist Progressives group, accused the parties in Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi's coalition of corrupt interference in the affairs of the state

"You're the people who give and take bribes today. you're the people who use RAI's money and the control of information to corrupt," Mr. Paissan said.

A roar of protest went up from the government benches, and a National Alliance deputy, Nicola Pasetto, grabbed Mr. Paissan, witnesses said.

where Paissan was speaking, and he was knocked over, channels between its members.

When order was restored, Mr. Paissan applauded his adversaries, yelling: "Good fight! Even though they're new to Parliament, I never expected such

Parliament is debating a government decree for emergency funding and major restructuring plans for RAI, Italy's hugely indebted public broadcaster.

The opposition has accused the governing coalition led by Mr. Berlusconi, who owns three private televi-"Other deputies threw themselves at the podium sion channels, of attempting to carve up RAI's three

# Russia to Pay Ames a 'Debt of Honor,' U.S. Suspects

By Walter Pincus and Bill Miller

WASHINGTON - The U.S. government believes that Russia's intelligence service, obliged by a "debt of honor" to one of its most successful spies. may try to deliver between \$1 million and \$2 million to the wife and son of the confessed

before he was caught in Februserving a life sentence for his same. espionage, the payoff would A former top CIA official In fact, the CIA is making the is most likely go to his wife, Rosa-said the agency would make payments to the widows and said.

Moscow already paid Mr. iar with the case.

Ames more than \$2.5 million The United Sta fer not to see further rewards ary, but investigators think flow to Mr. Ames's family - ty, such promises are consid-Russia still owes more to Mr. but under similar circumstances ered "debts of honor" that are Ames for his past work. As he is the CIA would do exactly the traditionally paid, a federal in-children's tuition, without any-

who had been arrested or killed The United States would pre- while serving in that capacity. In the intelligence communi-

> vestigator said. In fact, the CIA is making

espionage agent Aldrich Hazen rio, and the couple's 5-year-old good on any money owed a for- other heirs of some of the U.S. son, according to sources famil- eign agent recruited by the CIA agents killed by Moscow as a result of Mr. Ames's betrayal, sources said.

Such payments are typically made through trusts, retirement funds or even the handling of one knowing about the source, the former top CIA official

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# U.S. Professor in Investigation Leaves Singapore

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One source said that Mr. Lincriminal defamation departed gle planned to submit his resig-for the United States on Thurs-nation from his National Uniday to visit his sick father, versity of Singapore post, to be sources close to the academic effective in 30 days.

But he "intends to return to An airline source at Singa- Singapore within seven days pore's Changi Airport con-firmed that Christopher Lingle, ther in Atlanta, the source said.

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46, had checked into the depar- He said Mr. Lingle requested home after they asked to see the

after learning of his father's condition. University officials were not available for comment.

tioned by Singapore police on Monday "in connection with investigations into contempt of court and criminal defamation arising from an article" he had after Mr. Goh was asked a genwritten, a Singapore police eral question about differences spokesman said in a statement between Singapore authorities

Mr. Lingle's Oct. 7 opinion press. piece in the International Herald Tribune was critical of ample, writes that a judge is not On Monday, Mr. Lingle said the police question him to veri-

Asian governments. periodicals from his office and told Le Monde.

SINGAPORE — An Ameriture lounge for a flight to Los compassionate leave in writing can professor being investigat
Angeles via Taipei.

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"Up to now I've been treated Mr. Lingle, a semior fellow in judged fairly, the matter will go European studies, was ques- no further," he said.

In Paris on Wednesday, Singapore's prime minister. Goh Chok Tong, appeared to defend the investigation of Mr. Lingle between Singapore authorities and the domestic and foreign

"When a journalist, for exindependent, it is normal that he gave the police about 100 fy his arguments," Mr. Goh

# TRAVEL UPDATE

### Leaders Inaugurate Pyrenees Tunnel

PUYMORENS TUNNEL, France (Reuters) - The leaders of France and Spain on Thursday officially opened the 4.8-kilometer (3-mile) tunnel through the eastern Pyrenees, built to speed road travel between Toulouse and Barcelona and bolster regional

President François Mitterrand and Prime Minister Edouard Balladur of France and Prime Minister Felipe González of Spain took part in opening the tunnel through the Puymorens mountain pass. The tunnel had been under construction for five years. I have entirely on French territory at a cost of 890 million francs (\$173 million), it will cut about 20 minutes off the four-hour drive between the two cities.

Lufthansa German Airlines will resume flights to Belgrade on Friday after a three-year break in services to the Serbian capital, Lufthansa said it would run a service from Frankfurt to Belgrade three times a week.

A 24-hour strike by French railroad workers disrupted traffic Thursday on some main lines and several regional networks mainly in the south. Two trains out of three, including high-spect TGVs, were running between Paris and cities in the southeast, and with dignity and professional-ism by the police, and I'm con-ism by the police, and I'm convinced that if my comments are Paris region were cut by one-third to two-thirds.

Spanish unions have called for two 24-hour strikes next mont against Iberia Airlines to protest a cost-cutting plan. The Genera Workers Union and the Workers Commissions said their men bers would strike Nov. 3 and 11, after management failed to me a negotiating deadline on the plan.

Malaysian Airlines System signed code-sharing agreemen with British Midland Airways and Ansett Australia and is looking for partners in the Americas, officials in Kuala Lumpur sai Under the pact with British Midland, MAS will initially ser Leeds, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Teeside and Belfast. The agreement with Ansett Australia covers Brisbane, Adelaide, Cairns, Hobs Coolangatta and Canberra.

Torrential rains on Rhodes flooded many parts of the easte Greek island Thursday and washed away a highway linking t capital city, Rhodes, with the eastern town of Lindos. Four peof drowned when their car was washed into a flooded field. (A

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